



Almanac

FOR The Reformed Church

IN THE
UNITED STATES

FOR THE YEAR OF OUR
LORD

1850



QUESTION.—What is thy only comfort in life and death?

ANSWER.—That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, who, with His precious blood, hath fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that, without the will of my Heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation: and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

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ALMANAC FOR THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1890.

BEING A COMMON YEAR OF 365 DAYS.

MOON'S SIGNS.



PLANETS AND ASPECTS.

♄ Saturn.	♂ Mars.	♀ Venus.	☾ Moon.
♃ Jupiter.	☉ Sun.	☿ Mercury.	♁ Herschel.

♄ Conjunction, or planets in the same longitude.

⊕ Sextile, when they are 60 degrees apart.

♁ Opposite, when they are 180 degrees distant.

□ Quartile, when they are 90 degrees distant.

△ Trine, when they are 120 degrees distant.

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

Dominical Letter, E	Epact, 9	Roman Indiction, 3
Golden Number, 10	Solar Cycle, 23	Julian Period, 6603

The Jewish Era, with their 5651st year, commences 15th of September, 1890.

The Mohammedan Era, with their 1308th year, commences 17th of August, 1890.

MOVABLE FESTIVALS.

Septuagesima Sunday, Feb. 2.	Palm Sunday, March 30.	Whit Sunday, May 25.
Sexagesima Sunday, Feb. 9.	Good Friday, April 4.	Decoracion Day, May 30.
Quinquagesima Sunday, Feb. 16.	Easter Sunday, April 6.	Trinity Sunday, June 1.
Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 18.	Low Sunday, April 13.	Corpus Christi, June 5.
Ash Wednesday, Feb. 19.	Rogation Sunday, May 11.	First Sunday in Advent, Nov. 30.
Quadragesima Sunday, Feb. 23.	Ascension Day, May 15.	Sundays after Trinity, are 25.
Mid-Lent Sunday, March 16.		

THE FOUR EMBER DAYS.

February 26.	May 28.	September 17.	December 17.
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THE FOUR SEASONS, OR CARDINAL POINTS.

Vernal Equinox,	Sun enters ♀	March 20th,	10 o'clock,	30 minutes,	forenoon.
Summer Solstice,	"	♂ June 21st,	6 "	44 "	morning.
Autumnal Equinox,	"	♂ September 22d,	9 "	11 "	evening.
Winter Solstice,	"	♂ December 21st,	3 "	23 "	evening.

(♂). Mars is called the Governing Planet this year.

ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1890.

In the year 1890 there will be three Eclipses; two of the Sun and one of the Moon, and a Lunar Appulse.

A Lunar Appulse, June 3d, 1 o'clock, 19 minutes, in the morning, being visible here. Angle of Position of Point of nearest approach from North point, 167° to West.

The nearness of the approach and the uncertainty as to the effect of the Earth's atmosphere, render it doubtful whether the Moon will enter the shadow of the Earth or not.

I. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun, June 17th, 4 o'clock, 58 minutes, in the morning. Invisible in America; visible in Asia and Africa.

II. A Partial Eclipse of the Moon, November 26th, 8 o'clock, 33 minutes, in the morning. Invisible here; visible generally in Asia, India and the Pacific Ocean.

III. A Central Eclipse of the Sun, December 11th, 10 o'clock, 14 minutes, in the evening. Invisible in America; visible in Australia, Indian and South Atlantic Oceans. This Eclipse will be annular at the beginning and end, and total between 13 hours, 55 minutes, 3 seconds, and 16 hours, 20 minutes, 5 seconds, Greenwich mean time.

JANUARY,

1st Month, 31 Days.

1890.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. sl. RISES M. H. M.	SUN SETS. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Wednesday	1 New Year	1 Pet. 2: 12-19	2 37		Orion south 11 20	47 23 4	37 8 24	
Thursday	2 Martyrs H. Scrip	Phil. 2: 1-11	3 27		♀ in ♉. ⊕ in Perihelion	47 23 4	37 9 31	
Friday	3 Gordius	John 1: 29-34	4 20		♂ rises 8 53	57 23 4	37 10 33	
Saturday	4 Titus	" 1: 38-51	5 12		♀ rises 6 38	57 22 4	38 11 35	

1] Sunday after New Year.

Matt. 2: 1-23; Isaiah 60: 1-6.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 16 min.

Sunday	5 Simeon	Luke 2: 40-52	6 4		♂ rises 1 35	67 22 4	38 12 40	
Monday	6 Epiphany	Matt. 2: 1-12	♂ rises		♂ 6. ♀ in Apo. south 11 30	67 21 4	39 1 50	
Tuesday	7 Wittekind	John 2:	5 46		Rigel south 9 50	77 21 4	39 2 53	
Wednesday	8 Severinus	" 3:	6 34		Arietis 6 49	77 20 4	40 3 41	
Thursday	9 Catharine Zell	" 4:	7 24		♂ ♀ ♄. Regulus rises 7 49	77 20 4	40 4 27	
Friday	10 Paul of Thebes	" 5:	8 14		♂ rises 8 25. ♄ ♀ ☉	87 19 4	41 5 13	
Saturday	11 Fructuosus	" 6: 1-25	9 11		♀ rises 6 41	87 19 4	41 6 3	

2] First Sunday after Epiphany.

Luke 2: 41-52; Romans 12: 1-5.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 24 min.

Sunday	12 Jean Chastellian	John 6: 26-71	10 10		Rigel south 9 34	97 18 4	42 6 59	
Monday	13 Hilary	" 7:	11 8		♀ gr. elong East. ♀ sets 6 28	97 17 4	43 8 0	
Tuesday	14 Felix	" 8: 1-20	morn.		♂ 14. ♄ ♀ ♄. ♂ rises 1 29	97 16 4	44 9 5	
Wednesday	15 John a' Lasco	" 8: 21-50	12 20		♄ in ♎. ♂ ♀ ♄	107 15 4	45 10 2	
Thursday	16 Geo. Spalatine	" 9:	1 37		♄ ♀ ☉. ♀ rises 6 47	107 14 4	46 10 47	
Friday	17 Anthony	" 10: 1-21	2 46		Cappella Süd 9 8	107 14 4	46 11 30	
Saturday	18 John Blackader	" 10: 22-42	3 58		Castor south 11 38	117 13 4	47 12 3	

3] Second Sunday after Epiphany.

John 2: 1-11; Romans 12: 6-16.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 36 min.

Sunday	19 Heid. Cat. 1563	Mark 1: 1-20	5 49		♀ ♀ ♄. Orion south 9 45	117 12 4	48 12 43	
Monday	20 Fabian and Sebastian	" 1: 21-45	♂ sets		♂ 20. ♄ in Per. ♀ ♄ ☉. Centers	117 11 4	49 1 22	
Tuesday	21 Agnes	" 2:	6 5		♄ ♀ ♄. ♀ rises 6 51	127 10 4	50 2 11	
Wednesday	22 Vincent	" 3: 1-19	7 18		Spica rises 11 32	127 9 4	51 2 51	
Thursday	23 Isaiah	" 3: 20-35	8 31		♂ rises 1 8	127 8 4	52 3 40	
Friday	24 Timothy	" 4:	9 40		7* south 7 17	127 7 4	53 4 21	
Saturday	25 Paul's Conversion	" 5: 6: 1-16	10 52		♂ rises 7 21	137 6 4	54 5 1	

4] Third Sunday after Epiphany.

Matt. 8: 1-13; Romans 12: 17-21.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 50 min.

Sunday	26 Polycarp	Mark 6: 17-29	11 54		Sirius south 10 4	137 5 4	55 5 40	
Monday	27 Jno. Chrysostom	" 6: 30-56	morn.		♂ 27. ♀ rises 6 52	137 4 4	56 6 24	
Tuesday	28 Charlemagne	" 7: 1-23	12 22		Rigel south 8 25	137 3 4	57 7 12	
Wednesday	29 Juventine	" 7: 24-37	1 20		♄ ♀ ☉ Inferior. ♄ ♀ ♄	137 2 4	58 8 4	
Thursday	30 Henry Müller	" 8:	2 18		♄ stationary. ♂ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	147 1 4	59 8 59	
Friday	31 Hans Sachs	" 9:	3 14		Cappella south 8 12	147 0 5	0 9 55	

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	6th,	12 o'clock,	36 minutes,	morning.
Last Quarter,	14th,	1	32	" "
New Moon,	20th,	6	49	" evening.
First Quarter,	27th,	3	16	" "

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, fair; 3, 4, 5, variable; 6, 7, frosty; 8, 9, 10, cold and cloudy; 11, 12, 13, 14, mild; 15, 16, variable; 17, 18, stormy; 19, 20, snow or rain; 21, 22, clear; 23, 24, 25, cold; 26, 27, frosty; 28, 29, clear and cold; 30, 31, cold.

(♃). Jupiter is the 10th in conjunction with the Sun, and cannot be seen.

A New Year's Prayer.

MAY the dear Lord of life and death,
Bless now the New Year's birth,

And laide it full with peace and love
As New Year's gifts to earth.
May His own arms around it lie,
His smile above it beam,
And may the sunshine of His love
Through all its shadows gleam.

May loyal hearts still loyal stand
For Christ's most kingly laws,
And, fighting for *His* sake, we know
He will espouse our cause.
May timid souls new courage gain
To tread the narrow way,
With hearts where faith and hope
shall dwell
And feet which cannot stray.

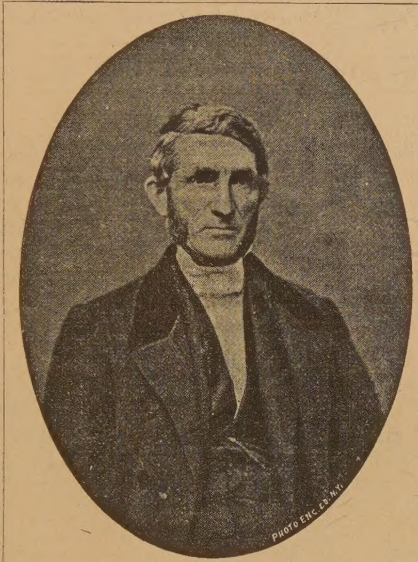
May blessings go before our path,
And follow still behind,
And may sweet friendship's golden chain
True hearts yet closer bind.

So shall the year yet new, untried,
Be safe to journey through,
Until its end, and the dear Lord
Send us the gift anew. —M. D. B.

→THE NEW YEAR.←

WE are permitted to enter upon another New Year. We have every reason to be filled with thanksgiving to Almighty God that we are spared to this being a new period of time.

Amid our rejoicing thereat, we may well pause and look over the year that is past. Hour by hour, day by day, week by week, month by month it has gone, as the year that we begin will go. We cannot, however, go back and undo what of sin and error we have committed, but, seeing wherein we have come short, we can avoid the same in the future. But the past year has not been without its good deeds, and in this we can joy and rejoice. Many as they may be, we have done no more than we should have done.



BENJAMIN S. SCHNECK, D. D.
Died April 19th, 1874.
Aged 68 years, 1 month and 5 days.

Let us enter upon this new year with the resolve to do better in it than we have done in the past, and thus fit ourselves for spending an eternity of years in the Heavenly World.

ALMANAC FOR 1890.

THE ALMANAC FOR 1890 is the twenty-seventh issue of this time-honored Annual. We think this number is in advance of its predecessors. It is our aim to make it, if possible, better every year. That which we have aimed to emphasize in this issue, in the way of illustrations, are portraits of our older ministers, some of whom have been called up higher, and others are still active in the Church militant, honored and respected by

those whom they serve and by the Church in whose behalf they have been faithful laborers.

The other illustrations speak for themselves. Those of recently built churches show the progress that is being made among us in church architecture.

We have aimed to make the Statistics and Clerical Register as correct as possible. The Almanac upon the whole is valuable for information, and should be in every family. We ask the aid of pastors and members to give it a wide circulation.

CHAS. G. FISHER, *Editor.*

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Saturday | 1| Ignatius | Mark 10: 1-31 | 4 10 | 19 | 8 rises 12 56 | 14 6 59 5 | 11 10 50

5] Septuagesima Sunday. *Greg* Matt. 20: 1-16; 1 Cor. 9: 24-37. Day's Length, 10 hours, 4 min.

Sunday	2 <i>Furificat'n of Vir.</i>	Luke 3:	5 3	3	♂ in Apo. ^{Orion south 8 44}	14 6 58 5	21 1 40
Monday	3 Ansgar	" 4:	5 56	16	♂ south 1 20	14 6 57 5	3 12 35
Tuesday	4 Rhaban. Maurus	" 5:	♂ rises	0	♂ 4. Aldebaran ^{south 7 32}	14 6 56 5	4 1 30
Wednesday	5 P. J. Spener	" 6: 1-19	6 24	15	♀ in Aphelion. ^{♂ 2}	14 6 55 5	5 2 12
Thursday	6 Amandus	" 6: 20-49	7 22	29	Sirius south 9 19	14 6 54 5	6 2 59
Friday	7 George Wagner	" 7:	8 21	14	Rigel south 7 44	14 6 53 5	7 3 46
Saturday	8 Maria Andreae	" 8:	9 20	29	♂ rises 12 47	14 6 52 5	8 4 30

6] Sexagesima Sunday. *Greg* Luke 8: 4-15; 2 Cor. 11: 19-33; 12: 1-9. Day's Length, 10 hours, 18 min.

Sunday	9 John Hooper	Luke 9: 1-36	10 18	14	♂ ☐ ☉. ^{Canopus south 9 5}	14 6 51 5	9 5 17
Monday	10 F. C. Oettinger	" 9: 37-62	11 10	28	♂ stationary. ^{♂ 6}	15 6 49 5	11 6 6
Tuesday	11 H. de St. Victor	" 10:	11 58	13	♂ Antares rises 3 21	15 6 47 5	13 6 52
Wednesday	12 Lady Jane Grey	" 11: 1-36	morn.	27	♂ 12. ^{♂ 6} ^{Spica rises 10 11}	15 6 46 5	14 7 42
Thursday	13 C. F. Schwartz	" 11: 37; 12: 1-12	12 40	10	♂ south 12 38	14 6 44 5	16 8 32
Friday	14 Brun of Querpit	" 12: 13-59	1 37	23	Arctur rises 9 6	14 6 43 5	17 9 24
Saturday	15 Jacob von Loh	" 13: 1-21	2 36	6	♂ rises 12 38	14 6 42 5	18 10 7

7] Quinquagesima Sunday. *Greg* Luke 18: 31-43; 1 Cor. 13: 1-13. Day's Length, 10 hours, 40 min.

Sunday	16 Matth. Desubas	Luke 13: 22-35	3 40	19	Orion south 7 48	14 6 40 5	20 10 49
Monday	17 Pat. Hamilton	" 14:	4 46	2	♂ in Per. ^{♂ 8} ^{♂ rises 5 1}	14 6 39 5	21 11 27
Tuesday	18 <i>Shrove Tuesday</i>	" 15:	5 53	14	♀ ☉ ☐ Superior. ^{♂ 8} ^{♀ 8}	14 6 38 5	22 12 39
Wednesday	19 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	" 16:	♂ sets	28	♂ 19. ☉ enters ♄	14 6 37 5	23 1 23
Thursday	20 Sadoth	" 17: 1-19	6 29	9	♂ ☐ ☉. Pollux ^{south 9 40}	14 6 36 5	24 2 5
Friday	21 Meinrab	" 17: 20-37	7 30	21	Procyon south 9 29	14 6 34 5	26 2 47
Saturday	22 <i>Washington bth'y</i>	" 18: 1-30	8 32	3	♂ rises 11 44	14 6 33 5	27 3 27

8] First Sunday in Lent. *Greg* Matt. 4: 1-11; 2 Cor. 6: 1-10. Day's Length, 10 hours, 56 min.

Sunday	23 B. Ziengenbalg	Luke 18: 31; 19: 1-28	9 35	15	♂ in ♄. ♄ gr. Elong W. ^{♄ rises 5 24}	14 6 32 5	28 4 0
Monday	24 Matthias	" 19: 29; 20: 1-8	10 37	27	7* sets 12 39	14 6 31 5	29 4 42
Tuesday	25 Casp. Olevianus	" 20: 9; 21: 1-4	11 40	18	♂ ☉ ☐. ♄ rises 4 34	13 6 30 5	30 5 20
Wednesday	26 <i>Ember Day</i>	Luke 21: 5-35	morn.	20	♂ 26. ♂ south 11 43	13 6 29 5	31 6 14
Thursday	27 Martin Bucer	" 22: 1-30	12 39	2	Sirius south 7 47	13 6 28 5	32 6 52
Friday	28 Jno. de Mon. Corv.	" 22: 31-71	1 38	15	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	13 6 27 5	33 7 48

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 4th, 8 o'clock, 13 minutes, evening.
 Last Quarter, 12th, 1 " 51 " afternoon.
 New Moon, 19th, 5 " 27 " morning.
 First Quarter, 26th, 9 " 2 " forenoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, coldest days; 3, 4, cloudy; 5, 6, variable; 7, 8, 9, cloudy, snow and rain; 10, 11, clear; 12, 13, 14, stormy and rain; 15, 16, cold; 17, 18, variable; 19, 20, rain; 21, 22, fair; 23, 24, 25, variable; 26, 27, cold rains; 28, clear.

(♀). Venus is in superior conjunction with the Sun on the 18th, and passes from morning to evening star.

(♂). Saturn is in apposition with the Sun on the 18th, and shines all night.

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KEEP thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life.

Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.

Keep thee far from a false matter.

He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life.

Take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently.

Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

My son, keep thy father's commandments.

My son, keep sound wisdom and discretion.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Keep yourselves in the love of God.

Blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

A MISSIONARY PICTURE.

Collection for missions \$8.67. “Best that we can do on account of home expenses.”

Collections for Foreign Missions, \$3.99. “We have no money.”

Gospel according to St. Matthew. “Go ye therefore and teach all nations.” St. Mark, “Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.”

\$5,000 collection for our new steeple. “We must hold up the cross” (on the steeple).

\$4,000 for new organ. Paid choir. “We must push ahead.”

Gospel according to Brother Closefisted, “The Lord have mercy upon the poor heathen. We cannot do anything for them. Charity begins at home.”

“The silver and the gold is Mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills.” “Give and it shall be given unto you.”

“Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him.”

“I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified. That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.”

“Let the missionaries live on faith. Lord keep them humble and we'll keep them poor.”

Church fairs, suppers, lectures, and many other devices.

“If we don't entertain the people they will leave us.” “Sacred” concerts, dancing, etc.

MARCH,

3d Month, 31 Days.

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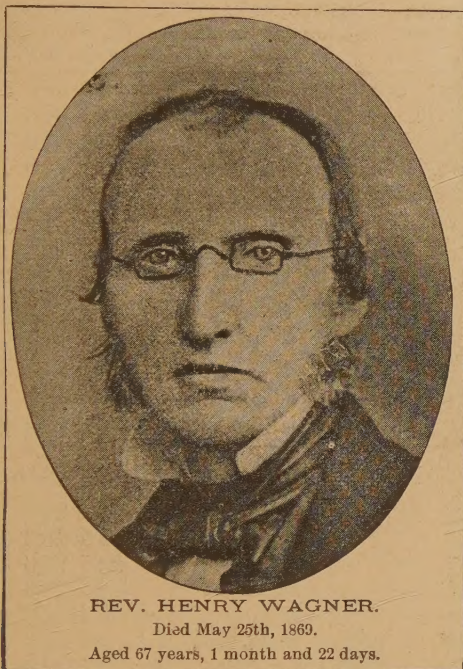
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Saturday	1 Suidbert	Luke 23:	2 37	 28	♂ in apo. ♀ south 11 30	13 6	25 5	35 8 48
9] Second Sunday in Lent.		Matt. 15: 21-28; 1 Thess. 4: 1-8.			Day's Length, 11 hours, 14 min.			
Sunday	2 John Wesley	Mark 10: 32-52	3 35	 11	♂ rises 11 40	12 6	23 5	37 9 49
Monday	3 Balthilde	" 11:	4 28	 24	♂ rises 4 19	12 6	22 5	38 10 47
Tuesday	4 George Wishart	" 12:	5 20	 8	♂ ♀ Scorpii	12 6	21 5	39 11 36
Wednesday	5 Thomas Aquinas	" 13:	6 10	 23	♂ ♀ ♀. ♀ Aphelion	12 6	20 5	40 12 30
Thursday	6 Fridolin	" 14: 1-54	♂ rises	 8	♂ 6. Cappella south 6 9	11 6	19 5	41 1 24
Friday	7 Perpetua	" 14: 55; 15: 1-15	6 58	 23	Orion south 6 34	11 6	18 5	42 2 13
Saturday	8 Zach. Ursinus	" 15: 16-47	8 5	 8	♂ south 11 1	11 6	16 5	44 2 59
10] Third Sunday in Lent.		Luke 11: 14-28; Eph. 5: 1-9.			Day's Length, 11 hours, 30 min.			
Sunday	9 Cyrillus and Methodius	Matt. 20: 17-33	9 1	 23	♂ ♀ ♀. ♀ rises 4 2	11 6	15 5	45 3 46
Monday	10 40 Martyrs of Seb.	" 21:	10 9	 8	Castor south 8	10 6	14 5	46 4 34
Tuesday	11 Wm. Hoseus	" 22:	11 17	 23	Regulus south 10 34	10 6	12 5	48 5 23
Wednesday	12 Greg. the Great	" 23:	morn.	 8	♂ ♀ ♀. ♀ rises 11 32	10 6	11 5	49 6 19
Thursday	13 Rodericus	" 24: 1-31	12 8	 23	♂ 13. Spica rises 8 19	9 6	10 5	50 7 9
Friday	14 Matilda	" 24: 32-51	1 3	 4	Procyon south 7 54	9 6	8 5	52 7 58
Saturday	15 Thos. Cranmer	" 25:	1 57	 18	♂ south 10 31	9 6	7 5	53 8 48
11] Fourth Sunday in Lent.		John 6: 1-14; Gal. 4: 21-31.			Day's Length, 11 hours, 48 min.			
Sunday	16 Heribert	Matt. 26: 1-13	2 47	 3	♂ ♀ ♀. ♀ rises 3 43	9 6	6 5	54 9 38
Monday	17 Patrick	" 26: 14-35	3 36	 18	♂ in per. 7* rises 11 19	8 6	4 5	56 10 24
Tuesday	18 Alexandr. of Jerus.	" 26: 36-56	4 34	 3	Aldebaran sets 11 34	8 6	3 5	57 11 21
Wednesday	19 Mary and Martha	" 26: 57; 27: 1-2	5 32	 18	♂ ♀ ♀. Orion sets 12 14	8 6	2 5	58 12 36
Thursday	20 Ambrose of Sien.	" 27: 3-31	♂ sets	 1	♂ 20. ☉ enters ♉. ♀ and ♀ E.	7 6	0 6	0 1 23
Friday	21 Benedict of Nursia.	" 27: 32-50	6 50	 15	♂ ♀ ♀. Regulus south 9 52	7 5	59 6	1 2 11
Saturday	22 Nich. v. d. Flüe	" 27: 51-56	7 42	 27	♂ rises 11 18	7 5	58 6	2 3 0
12] Fifth Sunday in Lent.		John 8: 46-59; Heb. 9: 11-15.			Day's Length, 12 hours, 6 min.			
Sunday	23 Wolfgang	John 11:	8 36	 9	Sirius south 8 14	7 5	57 6	3 3 51
Monday	24 Florentius	" 12:	9 27	 21	♂ south 9 54	6 5	56 6	4 4 41
Tuesday	25 Ann. Vir. Mary	" 13: 1-30	10 20	 2	♂ ♀ ♀. ♀ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	6 5	54 6	6 5 16
Wednesday	26 Liudger	" 13: 31; 14: 1-38	11 16	 13	Pollux south 7 18	6 5	53 6	7 5 54
Thursday	27 Rupertus	" 15:	11 49	 25	♂ rises 3 12	6 5	52 6	8 6 32
Friday	28 John von Goch	" 16:	morn.	 7	♂ 28. 7* sets 10 47	5 5	51 6	9 7 9
Saturday	29 Eustatius	" 17:	12 44	 20	♂ in apo. Procyon south 7 1	5 5	50 6	10 7 48
13] Palm Sunday.		John 12: 1-16; Phil. 2: 5-10.			Day's Length, 12 hours, 22 min.			
Sunday	30 John Heermann	Lam., Jeremiah	1 39	 2	♂ rises 11 6	5 5	49 6	11 8 28
Monday	31 Ernest the Pious	Hebrews 8:	2 44	 16	Rigel sets 9 50	4 5	48 6	12 9 17

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	6th,	1 o'clock,	47 minutes,	afternoon.
Last Quarter,	13th,	11 "	4 "	evening.
New Moon,	20th,	4 "	1 "	"
First Quarter,	28th,	4 "	32 "	morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, cloudy; 3, 4, 5, variable; 6, 7, snow or rain; 8, 9, 10, clear; 11, 12, 13, fair; 14, 15, rain; 16, 17, 18, mild; 19, 20, fair; 22, 23, stormy; 24, 25, variable; 26, 27, 28, rain; 29, 30, clear; 31, pleasant.

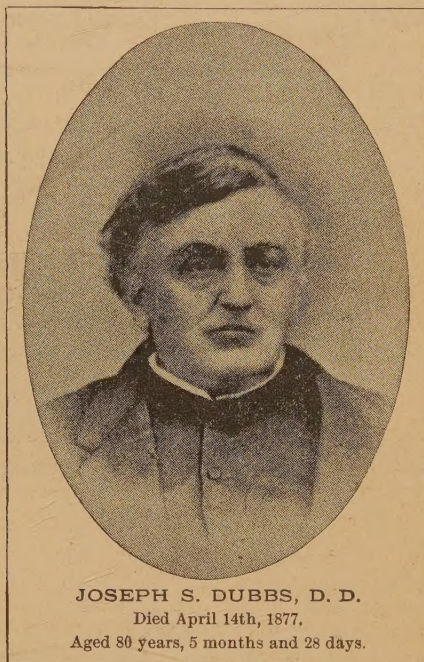


→ A SIMPLE PLAN. ←

IN view of the fact that so much money is needed for our prosperous Home Mission work, a simple plan for raising a large sum during 1890 has been approved by the Board of Missions, namely, the Superintendent is authorized and directed to try to raise *one thousand ten-dollar subscriptions from individuals*, not to be credited on the apportionment but as special offerings for the work. Surely this can be done in the eight hundred congregations of the three eastern English Synods. May God move pastors and people to prompt and faithful help in this new effort to put our finances in good condition.



Here are three rules for being happy, in spite of worldly trials and disappointments. They were formulated by one who believed with all his heart in the power of peace and good will: (1) Accept the peace already made with God. (2) Make peace with any with whom you have been at enmity. (3) Live peaceably with all men.



→ GIVING. ←

IN St. Luke, vi: 38, we have evidently what may be called the true method of getting rich: "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom."

Thus expressed, the relation between giving and riches is somewhat different from the commonly accepted one. The ordinary precept would be, "Get rich in order to give;" here it reads, "Give in order to get rich." The common statement would be, Measure your gifts by your riches; this says, Measure your riches by your gifts.



Paul was all things to all men that he might win some of them, and yet he was one of the frankest and boldest men of whom we read in history. And this suggests that while he was polite, he was wisely so, and that in his soul there was the honor that made him superior to trick or dishonesty. The "all things" of some men means falsehood and deception.

APRIL,

4th Month, 30 Days.

1890.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. RISES M. H. M.	SUN RISES M. H. M.	SUN SETS M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Tuesday	1 Fritigild	Heb. 9:	3 24		1 ½ 6 D. ½ sets 4 9	45	45 6	15 10	6
Wednesday	2 Theodosia	" 10:	4 2		16 Cappella south 4 23	44	44 6	16 10	54
Thursday	3 Maundy Thursd'y	John 6:	4 46		1 ½ rises 2 49	35	42 6	18 11	42
Friday	4 Good Friday	Luke 23: 32-49	5 18		16 ½ rises 10 56	35	41 6	19 12	22
Saturday	5 Christ. Scriver	Heb. 4:	D rises		1 5. ½ 6 D. Sirius sets 10 44	35	40 6	20 1	15

14] Easter Sunday. *John 20: 1-10; Col. 3: 1-11.*

Day's Length, 12 hours, 42 min.

Sunday	6 Easter Sunday	Matt. 28:	7 48		16 ♀ sets 7 19	35	39 6	21 2	11
Monday	7 Easter Monday	Luke 24: 1-12	8 43		1 Canopus south 5 17	25	37 6	23 3	4
Tuesday	8 Martin Chemnitz	Acts 2: 22-47	9 30		16 Regulus south 8 50	25	36 6	24 3	50
Wednesday	9 Thos. v. Westen	1 Cor. 15:	10 25		0 ♀ 6 superior 8 6 D ½	25	35 6	25 4	41
Thursday	10 Fulbert	Rom. 6:	11 21		13 ♀ rises 10 47	15	33 6	27 5	34
Friday	11 Leo the Great	" 8:	morn.		26 Castor Süd 6 6	15	32 6	28 6	35
Saturday	12 Saba	1 Cor. 3:	12 30		9 12. ½ sets 3 27	15	31 6	29 7	39

15] First Sunday after Easter. *John 20: 19-31; 1 John 5: 4-12.*

Day's Length, 13 hours, 2 min.

Sunday	13 Justin Martyr	John 1:	1 28		21 ♀ in Perihelion ½ 6 D. ½ rises 2 24	15	29 6	31 8	44
Monday	14 John Eccard	" 2:	2 16		3 ♀ 8 ☉. Wega rises 8 48	sun	5 28 6	32 9	46
Tuesday	15 Simon Dach	" 3:	3 8		15 7* sets 9 33	fast	5 27 6	33 10	41
Wednesday	16 Peter Waldo	" 4:	3 48		27 ♀ rises 10 22	05	25 6	35 11	28
Thursday	17 Mappalicus	" 5:	4 48		9 Rigel sets 9 53	05	24 6	36 12	28
Friday	18 Luther at Worms	" 6: 1-40	5 33		20 ♀ in Perihelion	05	23 6	37 1	6
Saturday	19 Melancthon	" 6: 41-71	D sets		2 19. ♀ 6 D. Spica south 11 26	15	22 6	38 1	42

16] Second Sunday after Easter. *John 10: 11-16; 1 Peter 2: 20-25.*

Day's Length, 13 hours, 18 min.

Sunday	20 Jno. Bugenhagen	John 7:	7 18		14 ♀ 6 D. ♀ sets 7 49	15	21 6	39 2	20
Monday	21 Anselm of Cant.	" 8: 1-30	8 21		26 ♀ 6 D. ☉ enters 8	15	20 6	40 2	58
Tuesday	22 Origen	" 8: 31-50	9 26		8 ♀ stationary	15	18 6	42 3	37
Wednesday	23 George of Capp.	" 9:	10 28		21 ♀ in ☉. ♀ rises 9 52	25	17 6	43 4	18
Thursday	24 Wilfrid	" 10:	11 30		3 Aldebaran sets 9 14	25	16 6	44 5	2
Friday	25 St. Mark, Evang.	" 11:	morn.		16 ♀ in ☉. ♀ 6 ♀	25	15 6	45 5	48
Saturday	26 Trudpert	" 12:	12 30		29 26. D in Apo. Orion sets 10 1	25	14 6	46 6	48

17] Third Sunday after Easter. *John 16: 16-22; 1 Peter 2: 11-19.*

Day's Length, 13 hours, 36 min.

Sunday	27 Otto Catelin	John 13: 14:	1 14		12 ♀ sets 7 59	35	12 6	48 7	46
Monday	28 Fred. Myconius	" 15:	1 48		26 ½ 6 D. ♀ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	35	11 6	49 8	50
Tuesday	29 L. v. Berquin	" 16: 17:	2 19		0 ½ sets 2 25	35	10 6	50 9	53
Wednesday	30 Geo. Calixtus	" 18:	2 42		24 ♀ rises 9 40	35	9 6	51 10	32

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 5th, 4 o'clock, 24 minutes, morning.
 Last Quarter, 12th, 5 " 53 " "
 New Moon, 19th, 3 " 5 " "
 First Quarter, 26th, 11 " 51 " evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, cloudy; 3, 4, variable; 5, 6, rain; 7, 8, 9, fair;
 10, 11, variable; 12, 13, rain; 14, 15, 16, fair; 17, 18,
 warm; 19, 20, 21, stormy; 22, 23, clear; 24, 25, 26, fair;
 27, 28, thunder; 29, 30, fair.

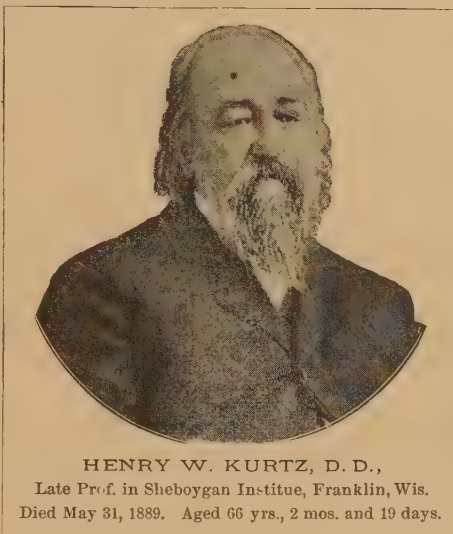
Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the U. S.

THIS is the oldest charitable institution of the Church. It was organized about one hundred years ago. Its design is to assist ministers' widows and their families, and also superannuated and disabled ministers themselves, who are members of it, and whose pecuniary resources are not sufficient to give them a living, when no longer able to labor.

There are two classes of members: annual contributing, and life. By paying an initiation fee of five dollars and thereafter annually, three dollars, a minister of our Church becomes the former, and by the payment of *sixty-five* dollars, becomes the latter.

The principal income of the Society however, is from invested funds. Collections and donations for immediate use are solicited. That there should be more attention given to this Society and its worthy object, cannot be disputed. Let it be remembered annually by individuals and congregations!

The officers are: Rev. W. M. Deatrick, D.D., President; Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., Vice-President; Rev. T. F. Hoffmeier, Secretary; Rev. S. S. Miller, Treasurer. Revs. N. H. Skyles and Wm. Goodrich, Assessors. The address of the Treasurer is *Boonesboro, Md.*



HENRY W. KURTZ, D. D.,
Late Prof. in Sheboygan Institute, Franklin, Wis.
Died May 31, 1889. Aged 66 yrs., 2 mos. and 19 days.

HOW TO MAKE YOURSELF UNHAPPY.

HERE is a recipe for unhappiness. Try it faithfully, and you will find yourself thoroughly miserable:

"In the first place, if you want to make yourself miserable, be selfish. Think all the time of yourself and your things. Do not care about anything else. Have no feeling for any one but yourself. Never think of the satisfaction of seeing others happy, but, rather, if you see a smiling face, be jealous lest another should enjoy what you have not. Envy every one who is better off in any

respect than yourself; think unkindly of them and speak lightly of them. Be constantly afraid lest some one should encroach upon your rights; be watchful against it, and if any one comes near your things, snap at him like a mad dog. Contend earnestly for everything that is your own, though it may not be worth a pin, for your rights are just as much concerned as if it were a pound of gold. Be very sensitive, and take everything, that is said to you in playfulness, in the most serious manner. Be jealous of your friends lest they should not think enough of you, and if at any time they should seem to neglect you, put the worst construction upon their conduct you can."

To serve God in business, give sixteen ounces to the pound, thirty-six inches to the yard, four quarts—full ones—to the gallon, thirty-two quarts to the bushel. Give people what they pay for; that is practical business Christianity. Without it you cannot serve God faithfully and consistently. Conduct your business as if the Lord were a silent partner, yet were always present watching your dealings. That is what he is doing.

If you want the question "Why am I Reformed?" answered, send for the booklet by that title. Price, 10 cents; 100 copies, \$6.50.

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.

	CMS.	MIN.	COM.
Roman Catholics,	7,424	7,956	4,438,019
Regular Baptists,	32,900	21,420	2,997,794
Methodist Episcopal,	21,361	12,802	2,154,349
Methodist Episcopal, South,	11,432	41,687	1,140,097
Presbyterian (North),	6,543	5,789	722,021
Disciples of Christ,	6,437	3,263	620,000
Congregationalists,	4,569	4,284	475,608
Protestant Episcopal,	5,053	3,910	450,042
African M. E.,	3,600	2,943	390,000
African M. E. Zion,	2,200	2,600	325,000
Lutheran Synodical Conference,	1,703	1,162	320,814
Lutheran General Council,	1,451	840	244,788
United Brethren,	4,451	1,490	204,517
Reformed (German)	1,512	823	190,527
Colored Methodist Episcopal,	2,016	1,729	165,000
Presbyterian (Southern),	2,280	1,153	156,249
Presbyterian (Cumberland),	2,448	1,584	151,929
Methodist Protestant	1,871	1,282	147,503
Evangelical Association,	1,916	1,159	141,853
Lutheran General Synod,	1,337	938	141,631

MAY,

5th Month, 31 Days.

1890.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. fs.	SUN RISES M. H.	SUN SETS. M. H.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Thursday	1 Philip and James	John 19:	3 22		9 $\mathcal{U}$ $\square$ $\odot$. $\mathcal{U}$ $\overset{\text{rises}}{119}$ Ω $\curvearrowright$	35	86	52	11 22
Friday	2 Athanasius	" 20:	4 15		24 7* sets 8 29	35	76	53	12 4
Saturday	3 Monica	" 21:	4 50		10 Ψ δ $\mathcal{D}$. $\mathcal{S}$ δ Ψ	35	66	54	12 43

18] Fourth Sunday after Easter.

John 16: 5-15; James 1: 16-21.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 50 min.

Sunday	4 Florian	Heb. 1; 2:	$\mathcal{D}$ rises		25  4. $\mathcal{Q}$ sets 8 28	35	56	55	1 23
Monday	5 Fred'k the Wise	" 3; 4:	8 12		10  $\mathcal{Q}$ δ Ψ . Arctur $\overset{\text{south}}{917}$	35	46	56	2 0
Tuesday	6 John of Damasc.	" 5; 6:	9 25		25 $\mathcal{S}$ gr. Elong E. $\mathcal{S}$ $\overset{\text{sets}}{746}$ er δ $\odot$ $\mathcal{D}$	45	26	58	2 39
Wednesday	7 Flav. Domatilla	" 7:	10 34		8 $\mathcal{S}$ rises 9 8	45	16	59	3 17
Thursday	8 Stanislaus	" 8:	11 26		21 $\mathcal{D}$ in Per. $\mathcal{U}$ rises 12 53	45	07	0	3 57
Friday	9 Greg. Nazianzen	" 9:	morn.		4 $\mathcal{h}$ sets 1 47	44	59	7	1 4 39
Saturday	10 John Heuglin	" 10:	12 30		17 $\mathcal{S}$ δ $\mathcal{Q}$. $\mathcal{U}$ $\mathcal{Q}$ $\mathcal{D}$ $\overset{\text{Castor sets 10 16}}{}$	44	58	7	2 5 25

19] Fifth Sunday after Easter.

John 16: 23-33; James 1: 22-27.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 6 min.

Sunday	11 John Arndt	Heb. 11:	1 16		29  11. $\mathcal{Q}$ sets 8 45	44	57	7	3 6 16
Monday	12 Meletius	" 12:	1 46		11  Antares south 1 5	44	56	7	4 7 14
Tuesday	13 Servatius	" 13:	2 20		23 Libræ south 11 47	44	55	7	5 8 18
Wednesday	14 Pachomius	John 14:	2 50		5 $\mathcal{S}$ rises 8 36	44	54	7	6 9 21
Thursday	15 Ascension Day	Eph. 4:	3 25		17 $\mathcal{U}$ rises 12 27	44	53	7	7 10 13
Friday	16 Martyrs of L.	John 15:	3 59		29 $\mathcal{h}$ sets 1 20	44	52	7	8 11 20
Saturday	17 Joachim of Flor.	" 16:	4 25		11 Orion sets 8 36	44	52	7	8 12 33

20] Sixth Sunday after Easter.

John 15: 26; 16; 1 Peter 4: 7-11.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 18 min.

Sunday	1880 Martyrs ^{under Valens.}	1 John 1:	$\mathcal{D}$ sets		23  18. $\mathcal{h}$ $\square$ $\odot$. $\mathcal{S}$ $\overset{\text{stationary}}{}$	44	51	7	9 1 22
Monday	19 Alcuin	" 2:	8 12		5 Ψ δ $\mathcal{D}$. $\mathcal{S}$ δ $\mathcal{D}$	44	50	7	10 2 11
Tuesday	20 Val. Herberger	" 3:	9 9		18 $\mathcal{Q}$ δ $\mathcal{D}$. $\mathcal{Q}$ sets 9 9	44	49	7	11 2 57
Wednesday	21 Constantine	" 4:	10 7		0 7* sets 7 14. $\odot$ enters $\square$	44	48	7	12 3 40
Thursday	22 Castus and Aemil.	" 5:	11 5		13 $\mathcal{S}$ in $\mathcal{S}$. $\mathcal{h}$ sets 12 56 $\curvearrowright$	44	47	7	13 4 21
Friday	23 Jer. Savonarola	Joel 3:	11 50		26 $\mathcal{S}$ rises 7 51	44	46	7	14 5 1
Saturday	24 Aug. Cazalla	John 17:	morn.		9 $\mathcal{D}$ in apo. Regulus $\overset{\text{sets 10 29}}{}$	34	45	7	15 5 40

21] Whit Sunday or Pentecost.

John 14: 15-31; Acts 2: 1-11.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 32 min.

Sunday	25 Whit Sunday	Gal. 3; 4: 1-7	12 20		22  Ψ δ $\odot$. $\mathcal{h}$ δ $\mathcal{D}$	34	44	7	16 6 24
Monday	26 Whit Monday	" 5:	12 50		6  26. $\mathcal{U}$ rises 11 45	34	43	7	17 7 12
Tuesday	27 Lanfranc	Rom. 12:	1 20		20 $\mathcal{S}$ $\mathcal{S}$ $\odot$. Altair $\overset{\text{south}}{327}$	34	43	7	17 8 4
Wednesday	28 Ember Day	1 Cor. 13:	1 53		4 $\mathcal{Q}$ sets 9 21	34	42	7	18 8 56
Thursday	29 David Zeisberger	Rom. 6: 19; 7:	2 23		19 δ in Perihelion Ω	34	42	7	18 9 45
Friday	30 Jerome of Prag.	" 8:	2 54		4 $\mathcal{S}$ δ $\odot$ inferior Ψ δ $\mathcal{D}$	34	41	7	19 10 30
Saturday	31 Joach. Neander	2 Cor. 5:	3 24		19 $\mathcal{U}$ stationary.	34	41	7	19 11 20

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 4th, 4 o'clock, 8 minutes, evening.
 Last Quarter, 11th, 11 " 4 " forenoon.
 New Moon, 18th, 3 " 18 " afternoon.
 First Quarter, 26th, 5 " 33 " evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, thunder; 4, 5, fair; 6, 7, pleasant; 8, 9, 10, variable; 11, 12, showers; 13, 14, 15, clear; 16, 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, warm; 21, 22, 23, thunder showers; 24, 25, 26, fair; 27, 28, 29, clear; 30, 31, cloudy.

($\mathcal{S}$). Mars is in apposition with the Sun on the 27th, and shines all night.

BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

In order to meet the demand for ministers, the Church almost from its beginning in this country, especially since the founding of its first institution of learning, Marshall College, has had Boards of Education whose duty is to receive funds and devote them towards aiding pious young men in their preparation for the Gospel Ministry. The parent Board, that of the Synod in the United States, has an honorable record in this good work, as it has been the medium of helping in the work of preparation, a large number who have done and are now doing noble work for the Master in His Church.

The synods that have since been formed out of the mother Synod, have also their Boards of Education. They have been doing a like good work.

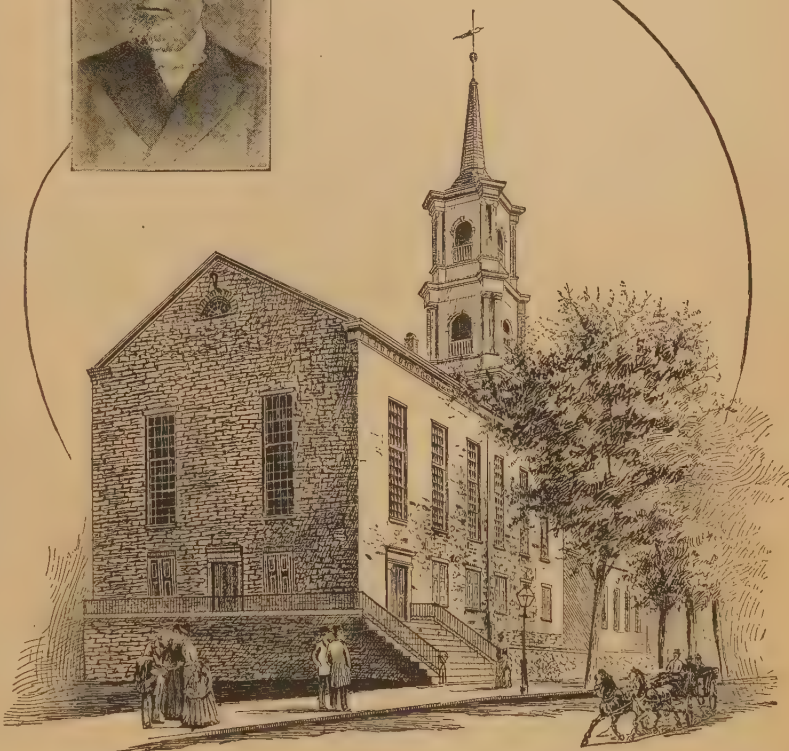
Funds are needed by all these Boards in order to act favorably upon the applications for aid from worthy young men. Were large funds at the command of these Boards, the number of young men in our institutions preparing for the ministry would be much greater.

The attention of those who would further the cause of Christ and multiply the number of the promulgators of the Gospel by giving of their means with which the Lord has prospered them, is called to this sacred cause committed to the several Boards of Education. The addresses of the several Treasurers can be found under the head—WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

☞ Have thy tools ready; God will find thee work.—*Kingsley.*



FRANKLIN W. KREMER, D. D., Late Pastor.
Died June 14, 1889.
Aged 72 years, 6 months and 28 days.



FIRST CHURCH, LEBANON, PA.

Rev. D. E. KLOPP, D. D., Pastor.
General Synod will meet in this Church, May 28, 1890.

☞ Faithfully perform the duties of the present hour. This is all that God requires. You need not concern yourself about future labors or future trials. They may never come. But if they do, meet them nobly, do your best, trust in God, and you will succeed.

☞ If you are a subscriber for your Church paper, tell your fellow-members of it. If not—subscribe for it yourself and induce your fellow-members to do likewise.

JUNE,

6th Month, 30 Days.

1890.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SUN RISES. M. H. M.	SUN SETS. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
22]	Trinity Sunday.	John 3: 1-15; Rev. 4: 1-11.	Day's Length, 14 hours, 40 min.					
Sunday	1 J. Fred. Oberlin	Acts 1; 2:	3 57	4	♄ in Aphelion	24 407	20 12	9
Monday	2 Pothinus and Blandina	" 3:	4 33	17	♄ 6 D. ♄ south 11 22	24 407	20 12	46
Tuesday	3 Chlotilde	" 4:	♄ rises	2	♄ 3. ♄ sets 12 7	24 397	21 1	4
Wednesday	4 Quirinus	" 5:	8 56	16	♄ Arctur south 9 17	24 397	21 1	50
Thursday	5 Corpus Christi	" 6:	9 55	28	♄ in Per. ♄ nearest to the earth	24 397	21 2	35
Friday	6 Norbert	" 7:	10 54	12	♄ Spica sets 8 18	24 387	22 3	11
Saturday	7 Paul Gerhardt	" 8:	11 52	25	♄ 6 D. ♄ rises 10 57	14 387	22 4	14
23]	First Sunday after Trinity.	Luke 16: 19-31; 1 John 4: 7-21.	Day's Length, 14 hours, 44 min.					
Sunday	8 A. H. Francke	1 Peter 1: 10	morn.	8	♄ ♄ sets 9 30	14 387	22 4	49
Monday	9 Columba	Acts 10:	12 26	20	♄ 9. Libræ south 9 39	14 377	23 5	50
Tuesday	10 Fdk. Barbarossa	" 11:	12 56	2	♄ 6 ♄. Antares south 11 6	14 377	23 6	49
Wednesday	11 Barnabas	" 12:	1 22	13	♄ stationary	14 377	23 7	47
Thursday	12 Renata	1 Peter 2: 11; 3: 1-17	1 49	25	♄ south 10 29	04 367	24 8	50
Friday	13 Isaac Le Febvre	" 3: 18; 4: 1-16	2 19	7	♄ Altair south 12 17	04 367	24 9	52
Saturday	14 Basil	" 4: 17; 5:	2 49	19	♄ ♄ sets 11 22	Sun 4 367	24 10	53
24]	Second Sunday after Trinity.	Luke 14: 16-24; 1 John 3: 13-24.	Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.					
Sunday	15 W. Wilberforce	2 Pet. 1: 11	3 20	2	♄ 6 D. ♄ 6 D. sl'w	1 357	25 11	52
Monday	16 R. Baxter	" 1: 12; 2; 3:	3 50	14	♄ ♄ rises 10 20	04 357	25 12	22
Tuesday	17 Jno. Tauler	James 2:	♄ sets	27	♄ 17. ♄ south 10 4	04 357	25 1	15
Wednesday	18 Pamphilus	" 3:	8 40	10	♄ Libræ south 8 54	14 357	25 2	9
Thursday	19 Council at Nice	" 4:	9 36	23	♄ 6 D. ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	14 357	25 3	0
Friday	20 27 Martyrs of Prague	" 5:	10 25	6	♄ in apo. ♄ sets 9 34	14 357	25 3	49
Saturday	21 Matt. Claudius	Jude	10 55	19	♄ en- ☉. Summer commences.	14 347	26 4	35
25]	Third Sunday after Trinity.	Luke 15: 1-10; 1 Peter 5: 6-11.	Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.					
Sunday	22 Gottschalk	Acts 13: 1-12	11 20	3	♄ 6 D. ♄ sets 10 50	24 357	25 5	19
Monday	23 Gottfried Arnold	" 13: 13-52	11 50	17	♄ Regulus sets 10 33	24 357	25 6	2
Tuesday	24 John Baptist	" 14:	morn.	1	♄ gr. elong. West. ♄ rises 3 42	24 357	25 6	45
Wednesday	25 Augsburg Conf.	" 15:	12 20	15	♄ ♄ rises 9 40	24 357	25 7	31
Thursday	26 J. Val. Andreae	" 16:	12 50	29	♄ 6 D. Wega south 12 13	24 357	25 8	11
Friday	27 Seven Sleepers	" 17: 1-14	-1 18	14	♄ Spica sets 12 18	34 357	25 8	52
Saturday	28 Irenæus	" 17: 15; 18: 11	1 48	28	♄ ♄ sets 9 40	34 367	24 9	14
26]	Fourth Sunday after Trinity.	Luke 6: 36-42; Romans 8: 18-23.	Day's Length, 14 hours, 48 min.					
Sunday	29 Peter and Paul	1 Thess. 1:	2 26	13	♄ 6 D. ♄ south 9 9	34 367	24 10	26
Monday	30 Raymond Lully	" 2: 1-16	2 56	27	♄ stationary	44 367	24 11	33

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	3d,	1 o'clock,	34 minutes,	morning.
Last Quarter,	9th,	4 "	49 "	evening.
New Moon,	17th,	4 "	57 "	morning.
First Quarter,	25th,	8 "	53 "	forenoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, rain; 3, 4, fair; 5, 6, variable; 7, 8, 9, fair; 10, 11, 12, warm; 13, 14, cloudy; 15, 16, 17, rain; 18, 19, 20, 21, clear; 22, 23, fair; 24, 25, variable; 26, clear; 27, 28, 29, fair; 30, variable.

NOTES ON HOME MISSIONS.

1) THE following facts relate only to the Home Mission work of the Tri-synodic Board. A TABLE found elsewhere gives a summary of the whole work.

2) At the beginning of this missionary year, October 1st, 1888, we had on the roll fifty-three missions, to which seven have since been added, namely, Altoona, Pa., Baltimore, Md., Braddock, Pa., Burlington, N. C., Jaennette, Pa., Steelton, Pa., and Whitewater, Kan. Of these sixty missions, three have become self-supporting, namely, Lansdale, Pa., Latrobe, Pa., and Philadelphia, Pa.; and nine have been referred to their respective Classes. Never has the Board had a better roll.

3) Our work is in good condition; and attention is called to the fact that nearly all the missions lately enrolled are in large and growing places.

4) Note also their self-helpfulness. The 60 missions, with 5,560 communicants, paid for congregational expenses \$38,300, averaging about \$7.00 a member; and for benevolence nearly \$3,500, averaging over 60 cents a member. Of the latter amount, \$1,300 were for home missions, *i. e.*, 23 cents a member. Whereas, the average in the Church at large for congregational expenses and missions is much less than this.

5) Rev. D. B. Shuey is our Superintendent in the West, giving his whole time to general work, and making the Synod of the Interior his field.

6) *Church-building Funds.* We now have nine such Funds, namely: the First Special Fund; the Virginia Classis Fund; the Emmanuel's Hanover Fund, No. 1; the Charles Santee Fund; the Catharine Dietz Fund; the Missionary Society Fund (\$1000); the Emmanuel's Hanover Fund, No. 2; the



JOHN CASPER BUCHER, D.D.

Died October 23d, 1888.

Aged 84 years, 4 months and 5 days.

Malinda M. Acker Fund; the John and Hannah Brownback Fund. The plan on which these Funds are held and used, commends itself to the judgment of business men, and has their confidence; and we again call the attention of pastors and people to this important interest.

7) Owing to careful management of the finances and to a larger income, the treasury this year has been in better condition than for several years. The aim of the Board and the pride of the Church should be to have the work on a cash basis. As the new missions enrolled this year will cost much more than those dropped from the roll, the Board must during the coming year have still larger income. We trust that pastors and people will appreciate this fact.

8) *Amount needed for 1890.*—The Board for this year asks the three Synods for \$24,000. The following statement shows the necessity in the case:

Cash on hand September 18th, 1888,	\$1,581
Received during the missionary year,	17,995
Paid out during the missionary year,	17,767
Cash on hand September 21st, 1889,	1,800

Due the missionaries to October 1st, 1889, . .	4,700
Money borrowed four and six years ago, . .	2,000
Low estimated cost of the work next year, .	20,000

Adding the last three items and deducting the cash on hand, shows the amount absolutely necessary for the work for the year beginning October 1st, 1889, namely, \$24,900.

9) *How to raise the \$24,000.*—We need a more widespread interest in missions; we need a "Missionary Sunday" in our Sunday-schools and congregations; we need a larger circulation of the *Reformed Missionary Herald*; and the apportionment should be brought down to the individual member, that he may know how much to give to this one purpose. These four things will greatly enlarge our income.

JULY,

7th Month, 31 Days.

1890.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SUN RISES. M. H. M.	SUN SETS. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Tuesday	1 H. Voes	1 Thess. 2: 17; 3:	3 27	10	 2 sets 10 17	3 4	36 7	24 12 34
Wednesday	2 Visit V. Mary	" 4:	2 rises	24	 2. ⊕ in Aphelion	4 4	36 7	24 1 10
Thursday	3 Otto Bishop	" 5:	9 2	7	2 rises 9 10	4 4	37 7	23 1 49
Friday	4 Ulrich	2 Thess. 1; 2: 1-12	9 47	20	2 in Per. 2 6 D. 8 stationery	4 4	37 7	23 2 30
Saturday	5 Lord Cobham	" 2: 13; 3:	10 25	3	8 sets 1 24	4 4	37 7	23 3 12

27] Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 5: 1-11; 1 Peter 3: 8-15.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 44 min.

Sunday	6 John Huss	Gal. 1: 1-10	10 55	16	2 sets 9 27	4 4	38 7	22 3 55
Monday	7 Willibald	Acts 18: 12; 19: 1-10	11 22	28	 Regulus sets 9 36	4 4	38 7	22 4 41
Tuesday	8 Kilian	Gal. 1: 11; 2: 1-14	11 54	10	8. 2 sets 9 51	4 4	39 7	21 5 28
Wednesday	9 Ephraim the Syr.	" 2: 15; 3: 1-14	morn.	23	Antares south 9 7	5 4	39 7	21 6 20
Thursday	10 Wm. of Orange	" 3: 15	12 10	3	2 in Ω. 2 rises 8 42	5 4	40 7	20 7 18
Friday	11 Placidus	" 4:	12 40	15	8 sets 1 3	5 4	40 7	20 8 20
Saturday	12 Henry II.	" 5; 6:	1 8	28	2 6 D. Altair south 12 16	5 4	41 7	19 9 22

28] Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 5: 20-26; Rom. 6: 3-11.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 38 min.

Sunday	13 Eugenius	1 Cor. 1:	1 38	10	2 sets 9 22	5 4	41 7	19 10 21
Monday	14 Bonaventura	" 2:	2 39	22	Sirius rises 4 4	5 4	42 7	18 11 22
Tuesday	15 Anserva	" 3; 4: 1-4	3 40	5	 16. 2 6 D. in Perihelion Andromeda rises 8 42	5 4	43 7	17 12 39
Wednesday	16 Anna Askew	" 4: 5; 5: 1-8	2 sets	18	2 6 2. Dog Days begin.	6 4	43 7	17 1 32
Thursday	17 Speratus and Eleven Co.	" 5: 9; 6:	8 19	2	2 in Apo. Wega south 11 41	6 4	44 7	16 2 26
Friday	18 Arnulf	" 7:	8 49	15	2 in Apo. Wega south 11 41	6 4	45 7	15 3 19
Saturday	19 Louisa Henrietta	" 8; 9:	9 24	29	2 6 D. 8 sets 12 26	6 4	46 7	14 4 12

29] Seventh Sunday after Trinity.

Mark 8: 1-9; Rom. 6: 19-23.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 28 min.

Sunday	20 John Marteilh	1 Cor. 10; 11: 1	9 48	13	2 6 D. 2 sets 9 14	6 4	46 7	14 5 3
Monday	21 Eberhard	" 11: 2	10 15	27	Arctur sets 12 59	6 4	47 7	13 5 52
Tuesday	22 Mary Magdalene	" 12: 30	10 45	2	2 6 6 superior 2 en. 2 Ω	6 4	48 7	12 6 44
Wednesday	23 Godfr. v. Hamele	" 12: 31; 13:	11 15	26	 Algenib south 4 3	6 4	49 7	11 7 37
Thursday	24 Thos. A. Kempis	" 14:	11 45	10	24. 2 6 D.	6 4	50 7	10 8 30
Friday	25 James the Elder	" 15: 1-34	morn.	24	2 gr. Hel. Lat. N.	6 4	50 7	10 9 22
Saturday	26 Christopher	" 15: 35; 16:	12 3	8	2 sets 8 44	6 4	51 7	9 10 11

30] Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 7: 15-21; Rom. 8: 12-17.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 16 min.

Sunday	27 Raym. Palmarius	Acts 19: 11; 20:	12 33	22	2 6 D. 8 sets 12 10	6 4	52 7	8 10 87
Monday	28 Jno. Seb. Bach.	2 Cor. 1: 1-22	1 13	6	2 sets 9 2	6 4	53 7	7 11 41
Tuesday	29 Olaus	" 1: 23; 2:	2 11	19	2 south 12 9	6 4	54 7	6 12 1
Wednesday	30 John Wessell	" 3; 4: 1-6	3 8	3	 2 6 6. Altair south 11 4	6 4	55 7	5 12 39
Thursday	31 Jno. Cas. Schade	" 4: 7; 5: 10	2 rises	16	31. 2 in Per. 2 6 D.	6 4	56 7	4 1 42

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	2d,	9 o'clock,	23 minutes,	forenoon.
Last Quarter,	8th,	11 " 43	" "	evening.
New Moon,	16th,	7 " 12	" "	"
First Quarter,	24th,	9 " 44	" "	"
Full Moon,	31st,	4 " 24	" "	"

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, variable with rain; 3, 4, 5, fair; 6, 7, 8, warmest days; 9, 10, 11, variable; 12, 13, cloudy; 14, 15, 16, rain; 17, 18, clear; 19, 20, warm; 21, 22, 23, clear; 24, 25, rain; 26, 27, 28, clear; 29, 30, 31, warm.

(24). Jupiter is in apposition with the Sun on the 30th, and shines all night.

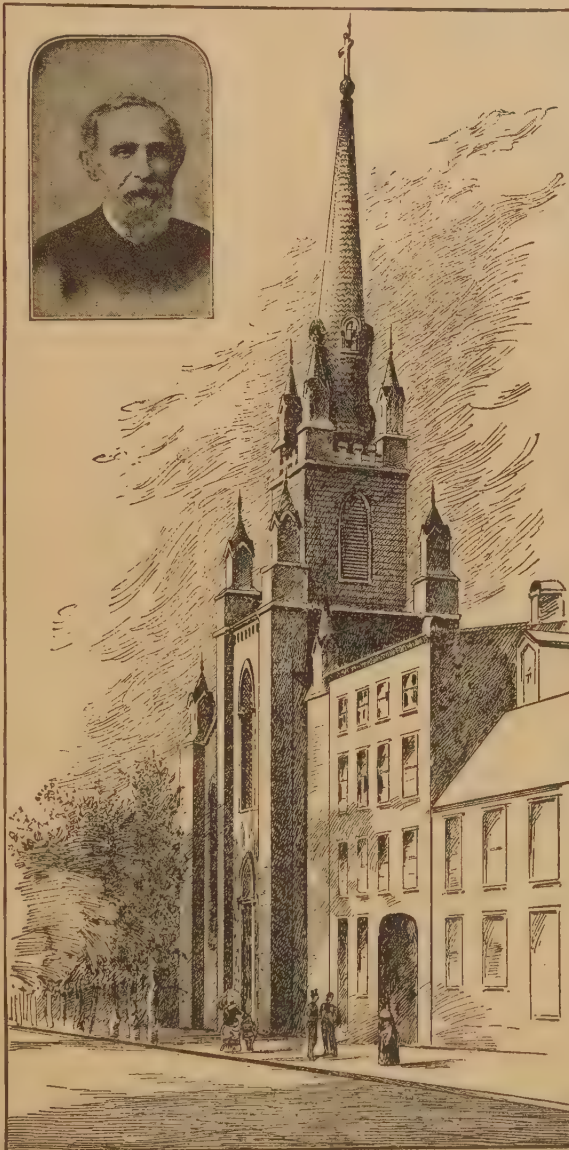
Board of Home Missions. GENERAL SYNOD.

This Board has charge of the missions of the General Synod. Those constituting it are given upon page 25. Its Officers and Executives are as follows: *President*, Rev. J. A. Peters, D. D., Danville, Pa.; *Sec'y*, Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D. D., Frederick, Md.; *Treas.*, Charles Santee, 534 North Sixth St., Philad'a, Pa.; *Supt.*, Rev. D. S. Fouse, Lisbon, Iowa. *Executive Committee*, Rev. J. A. Peters, D. D., Pres., Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D. D., Sec'y, Rev. J. M. Kendig, Rev. J. J. Leberman, Elder C. M. Boush.

The Ohio Synod at its annual meeting at Dayton, Ohio, in October, 1888, took action, tendering all its missions to the General Synod's Board. At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board held in Pittsburgh in December, 1888, the tender was accepted. Thirteen missions passed under the control of the General Synod's Board. After April 1, 1889, these missions must be sustained by this Board. In the spring of 1889 the English mission at Cleveland, O., was established. On Oc-

tober 1, 1889, the Rev. D. S. Fouse, who was previously elected Superintendent, entered upon his

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FIRST CHURCH, CARLISLE, PA.

AMOS H. KREMER, D. D., Pastor.

The Synod of the Potomac met in this Church, October 8th, 1889.

duties. At the late meeting of the Executive Committee, held at Canton, Ohio, Baker, Kansas and Lincoln, Nebraska, were received as additional missions under the care of the Board. Missionaries for these two new points are to be procured as speedily as possible. The Board now has sixteen missions under its care. The missionaries have been fully paid to October 1, 1889.

The Board is now fully equipped to enter upon the work assigned it by the General Synod—and the sympathy and liberality of the Church are needed in order that its ever increasing work may be accomplished.

All monies for the use of the Board should be sent to the Treasurer, Elder Charles Santee, 534 N. Sixth St., Philad'a.

Pastors who know of any members removing to points in the West should send their names and addresses to Rev. D. S. Fouse, Lisbon, Iowa, who as Superintendent of the Board, will make it his duty to look after them.

PREMIUM TRACTS.

Nos. 1, 2 and 3.

These should be circulated. Every member should have a copy of them to read and profit

AUGUST,

8th Month, 31 Days.

1890.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. RISES M. H. M.	SUN RISES M. H. M.	SUN SETS. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Friday	1 Maccabees	2 Cor. 5: 11; 6; 7: 1	8 20		29 2 south 11 55	☾	64 57	7 3	2 15
Saturday	2 Mas. under Nero	" 7: 2	8 59		11 1/2 sets 8 19		64 58	7 2	2 58

31] Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 16: 1-9; 1 Cor. 10: 1-13.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 2 min.

Sunday	3 Wm. Thorp	2 Cor. 8:	9 29		24 ♀ sets 8 55		64 59	7 1	3 38
Monday	4 Leonard Käser	" 9:	9 59		6 ♂ sets 11 37	☾	65 07	0 4	20
Tuesday	5 Salz'b'g Evang.	" 10:	10 27		13 Sirius rises 4 33		65 16	59 5	10
Wednesday	6 Transfiguration	" 11:	10 57		0 ☾ Spica sets 9 36		65 26	58 5	58
Thursday	7 Nonna	" 12: 1-18	11 25		12 7. ♀ south 11 29		55 36	57 6	48
Friday	8 Hormisdas	" 12: 19; 13:	11 57		24 Altair south 10 29		55 46	56 7	38
Saturday	9 Numidicus	Acts 20: 1-13	morn.		6 ♀ 6 ♀. ♂ 6 ♀		55 56	55 8	28

32] Tenth Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 19: 41-47; 1 Cor. 12: 1-11.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 48 min.

Sunday	10 Laurentius	Rom. 1: 1-17	12 37		18 1/2 sets 7 50		55 66	54 9	18
Monday	11 Greg. of Utrecht	" 1: 18-31	1 35		1 ♂ sets 11 28	☾	55 76	53 10	8
Tuesday	12 Ans. of Har'lb'g	" 2:	2 15		13 ♀ sets 8 32		55 86	52 10	58
Wednesday	13 C'nt Zinzendorf	" 3:	2 50		26 ♀ south 11 2		55 96	51 11	39
Thursday	14 James Guthrie	" 4:	3 42		10 ☾ in Apo. Wega south 8 54		45 106	50 12	17
Friday	15 Virgin Mary	" 5: 1-11	3 sets		26 15. ♀ in ♄. Antares sets 11 5		45 126	48 1	3
Saturday	16 John of Saxony	" 5: 12-21	7 50		9 1/2 ♂ ♀. Spica sets 8 58		45 136	47 1	48

33] Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 18: 9-14; 1 Cor. 15: 1-11.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 32 min.

Sunday	17 John Gerhard	Rom. 6:	8 16		24 ♂ 6 ♀. 1/2 sets 7 24		45 146	46 2	34
Monday	18 Hugo Grotius	" 7:	8 42		8 ♀ in ♄. Markab south 1 15		45 156	45 3	20
Tuesday	19 Sebaldus	" 8: 1-15	9 12		23 ♀ 6 ♀. ♀ sets 8 30	☾	35 166	44 4	6
Wednesday	20 Bernard of Clair	" 8: 16-39	9 52		7 ♂ 6 ♀. Sirius rises 3 39		35 176	43 4	54
Thursday	21 1st Morv. Miss.	" 9: 1-13	10 29		21 Procyon rises 3 13		35 186	42 5	57
Friday	22 Symphorianus	" 9: 14-33	11 6		5 ♀ south 10 23		35 206	40 6	47
Saturday	23 Gasp. de Coligny	" 10:	11 47		19 ☾ 23. ☉ enters ♏		25 216	39 7	39

34] Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

Mark 7: 31-37; 2 Cor. 3: 4-11.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 16 min.

Sunday	24 Bartholomew	Rom. 11:	morn.		3 ♂ 6 ♀. ♂ sets 11	☾	25 226	38 8	37
Monday	25 Louis IX.	" 12:	12 45		16 ♀ sets 8 20		25 236	37 9	47
Tuesday	26 Ulfilas	" 13:	1 50		29 Achernar south 3 15		25 256	35 10	57
Wednesday	27 Jovinian	" 14:	2 58		11 ♀ 6 ♀. 7* rises 9 48		15 266	34 11	41
Thursday	28 Aug. of Hippo	" 15: 1-13	4 3		25 ♀ in Aphe. lion. Dog Days end.		15 276	33 12	42
Friday	29 John Baptist B'd	" 15: 14-33	♄ rises		7 ♀ in Per. south 3 30		15 286	32 1	23
Saturday	30 Claude of Turin	" 16:	7 25		20 ♄ ☉. ♀ 6 ☉		15 296	31 2	7

35] Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 10: 23-27; Gal. 3: 16-22.

Day's Length, 12 hours, 58 min.

Sunday	31 Aidan	Acts 20:	7 57		2 ♂ sets 10 48		0 5 31	6 29	2 52
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MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter,	7th,	9 o'clock,	18 minutes,	forenoon.
New Moon,	15th,	11 "	19 "	"
First Quarter,	23d,	8 "	19 "	"
Full Moon,	29th,	11 "	35 "	evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, thunder; 3, 4, 5, fair; 6, 7, variable; 8, 9, 10, clear and dry; 11, 12, 13, fair; 14, 15, 16, showers; 17, 18, 19, clear; 20, 21, 22, fair; 23, 24, variable; 25, 26, thunder showers; 27, 28, 29, fair; 30, 31, clear.

(h). Saturn is in conjunction with the Sun on the 30th, and cannot be seen.

THE BROTHERHOOD OF ANDREW AND PHILIP OF THE REFORMED CHURCH.

THIS is an organization of young men which has already made marked progress in the Reformed Church in the United States. The first Chapter of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip was organized May 4, 1888, in the Second Reformed Church, Reading, Pa.

When the Brotherhood idea became known Chapters were formed elsewhere. June 6 and 7, 1889, a Convention was held at Reading, Pa. Nearly one hundred delegates and visitors were in attendance, representing some forty Churches. Fifteen Chapters reported with nearly five hundred members, scattered throughout nine classes and three Synods of the Reformed Church.

A constitution was adopted and an Executive Council elected to carry on the general work and to extend it throughout the Church. The officers of the Convention were: *President*, Rev. Rufus W. Miller; *Vice-Presidents*, Jesse H. String, Philadelphia, Wm. B. Schaeffer, Allentown, H. M. Hall, Columbia; *Secretary*, Alvin W. Lawfer, Allentown; *Ass't Secretary*, A. E. Ebersole, Norristown; *Treasurer*, H. C. Gresh, Norristown. The *Temporary President* was John W. Bickel, Esq., Norristown.

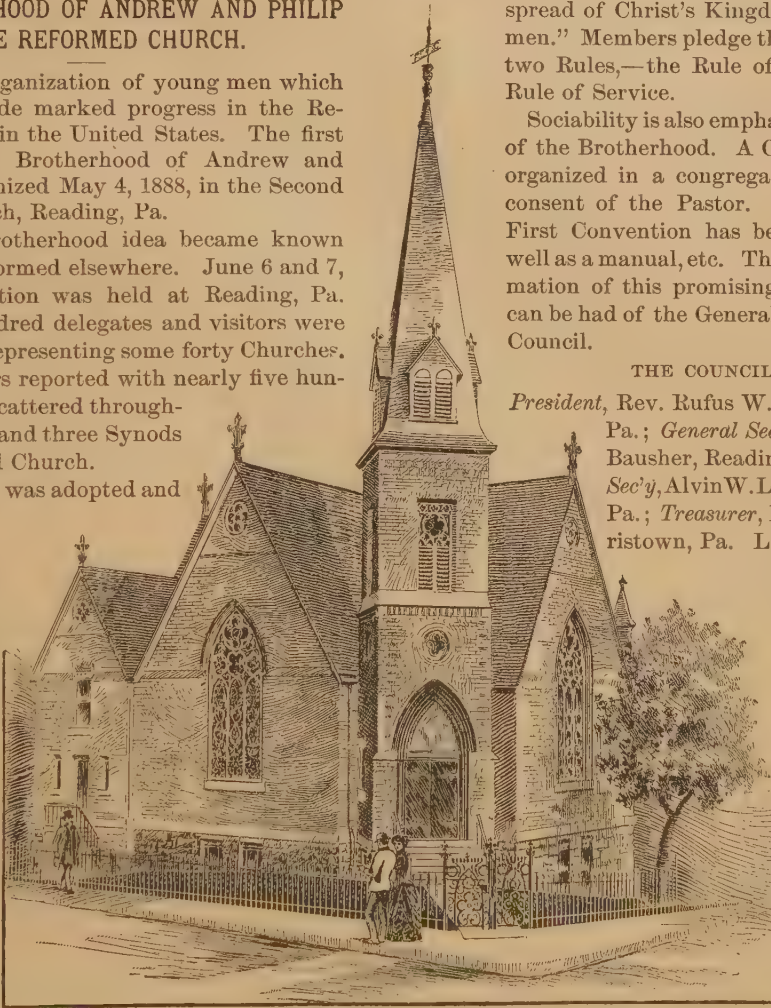
A number of new Chapters have since been organized, and the Brotherhood bids fair to extend throughout the Church, it being an important method of Church work. The sole object is "the

spread of Christ's Kingdom among young men." Members pledge themselves to obey two Rules,—the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service.

Sociability is also emphasized in the work of the Brotherhood. A Chapter cannot be organized in a congregation without the consent of the Pastor. A Report of the First Convention has been published, as well as a manual, etc. These give full information of this promising movement, and can be had of the General Secretary of the Council.

THE COUNCIL ARE:

President, Rev. Rufus W. Miller, Reading, Pa.; *General Secretary*, Walter W. Bausher, Reading, Pa.; *Recording Sec'y*, Alvin W. Lawfer, Allentown, Pa.; *Treasurer*, H. C. Gresh, Norristown, Pa. L. Harbaugh, Esq., Chambersburg, Pa.; Thos. T. Miller, Easton, Pa.; Chas. Edmunds, Philadelphia, Pa.; John W. Bickel, Esq., Norristown, Pa.; Thos. B. Smith, Waynesboro, Pa.; W. K. Mohr, Allentown, Pa.; Wm. Adolph, Philadelphia, Pa.; H. E. Anderson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; P. A. Roth, Pottsville, Pa.



REFORMED CHURCH, MOUNT PLEASANT, PA.

Rev. C. R. Ferner, Pastor.

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WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON		MOON'S	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S.	SUN	SUN	HIGH
			R. & S.	PLACE.	fs.		RISES	SETS.	WATER	
			H. M.	S. A.	M. H. M.		H. M.	PHILA. H. M.		
Monday	1 Anna	Acts 21:	8 25		14	Orion rises 12 40 83 ☾	05	32 6	28	3 37
Tuesday	2 Mamas	" 22; 23:	8 55		26	♀ ♄ ♄. Spica sets 7 9	05	33 6	27	4 30
Wednesday	3 Hildegarde	" 24; 25:	9 27		8	♄ gr. Elong E. ♄ sets 7 17	15	35 6	25	5 17
Thursday	4 Ida v. Herzfeld	" 26:	10 1		20	♄ south 9 27	15	36 6	24	6 8
Friday	5 John Mollio	" 27:	10 37		2	☾ 5. ♄ ♄ 7* ^{rises 9 17}	15	37 6	23	6 58
Saturday	6 Martin Weibel	" 28:	11 22		14	♀ sets 8 5	25	39 6	21	7 42

361 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 17: 11-19; Gal. 5: 16-24.

Day's Length, 12 hours, 40 min.

Sunday	7 Laz. Spengler	Eph. 1: 1-14	morn.	26 Rigel rises 11 32	25 40 6 20 8 23
Monday	8 Corbinian	" 1: 15; 2: 1-10	12 20	8 Sirius rises 2 30	25 41 6 19 9 7
Tuesday	9 Luigi Pasquali	" 2: 11; 3:	12 53	26 ♀ stationary	35 42 6 18 9 47
Wednesday	10 Paul Seperatus	" 4: 1-17	1 50	4 ♀ in apo. Algenib	35 44 6 16 10 27
Thursday	11 John Brenz	" 4: 18	2 44	18 ♀ sets 10 38	35 45 6 15 11 4
Friday	12 Dionys's Peloq'n	" 5: 6; 1-9	3 30	3 ♀ 6 ♀. 2 ♀ south 8 53	45 46 6 14 11 42
Saturday	13 Wm. Farel	" 6: 10	4 24	17 ♀ sets 7 58	45 48 6 12 12 39

37] Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 6: 24-34; Gal. 5: 25; 6: 10.

Day's Length, 12 hours, 22 min

Sunday	14 Cyprian	Col. 1:	♂ sets		2		14. Andromeda south 12 30	45 49 6	11	1 22
Monday	15 A. v. Grumbach	" 2; 3: 1-4	7 11		17		♂ ♀ ♀. Alair south 8 9	55 50 6	10	2 11
Tuesday	16 Euphemia	" 3: 5; 4:	7 47		2	♀ stationary.	♂ ♀ ♀	55 52 6	8	2 57
Wednesday	17 <i>Ember Day</i>	Philemon	8 12		17	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	♀ ♀ ♀ ♀	55 53 6	7	3 40
Thursday	18 A. G. Spangenb'g	Philip 1: 1-26	8 43		2	♀ in aphelion		65 54 6	6	4 21
Friday	19 Thos. of St. Paul	" 1: 27; 2:	9 17		16	♂ sets 10 30		65 56 6	4	5 19
Saturday	20 Magdal. Luther	" 3; 4:	10 29		0	♀ sets 7 54		75 57 6	3	6 20

381 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 7: 11-17; Eph. 3: 13-21.

Day's Length, 12 hours, 2 min.

Sunday	21	Matthew	1 Tim. 1:	10 51		13		21. ☿ ☐ ⊙ ♄ ☽ ♃	75	59	6	1	7	12
Monday	22	Mauritius	" 2:	11 51		26		☉ enters ♋. Day & Night equal.	76	06	0	8	4	
Tuesday	23	Mt. of Geneva	" 3:	morn.		9		☿ gr. Elong East.	86	15	59	8	59	
Wednesday	24	Jno. Jacob Moser	" 3:14; 4:10	12 56		22		♃ ☽ ♃. ♃ south 8 4	86	35	57	9	55	
Thursday	25	Augsb'g Treaty	" 4:11; 5:16	2 6		4		Antares sets 8 33	86	45	56	10	50	
Friday	26	Lioba	" 5:17	3 19		16		♃ in Per. ☽ sets 10 22	96	55	55	11	42	
Saturday	27	Phil. Graveron	" 6:	4 30		28		♄ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	96	65	54	12	33	

39] Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 14: 1-11; Eph. 4: 1-6.

Day's Length, 11 hours, 46 min.

Sunday	28 A. Clarenbach	Titus 1:	Drises  10	 28. ♀ stationary ♂ 96	75	53	1	21
Monday	29 St. Michael	" 2:	7 10  22	 ♀ ♂ ☉ inferior	106	85	52	2 5
Tuesday	30 Jerome	" 3:	7 43  4	♀ sets 7 49	106	95	51	2 47

MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter, 5th, 10 o'clock, 29 minutes, evening.

New Moon, 14th, 2 " 53 " morning.

First Quarter, 21st, 5 " 5 " evening.

Full Moon, 28th, 7 " 59 " morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, rain; 3, 4, cloudy; 5, 6, fair; 7, 8, 9, storm; 10,

11, variable; 12, 13, 14, cool showers; 15, 16, clear; 17,

18, cloudy; 19, 20, rain; 21, 22, 23, fair; 24, 25, 26, clear:

27, 28, variable; 29, 30, rain.

Our Missionaries in Japan.

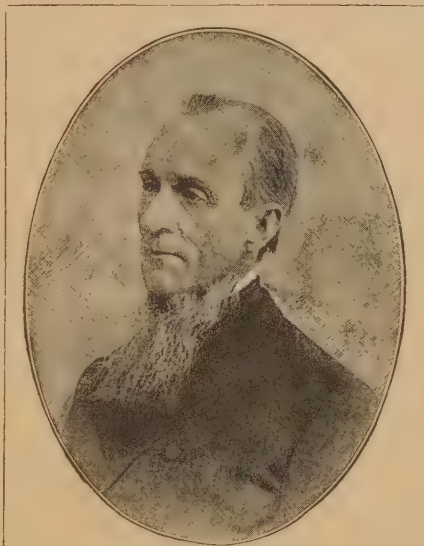
REV. J. P. Moore, was sent out six years ago; now located at Sendai.

Rev. W. E. Hoy, four years ago; located at Sendai. Besides preaching, has a Theological Training School.

Miss L. R. Poorbaugh and Miss Mary B. Ault, four years ago; located at Sendai. Rev. Hoy and Miss Ault have since been married.

Rev. D. B. Schneder, two years ago; located at Sendai, with Rev. W. E. Hoy one year.

Miss Emma F. Poorbaugh, year before last; located at Sendai. Took Mrs. Hoy's place in Girls' School.



CHAS. F. McCAULEY, D. D.
Senior Pastor of Second Church, Reading, Pa.

SOME one says of a class of church neglecters: "While the pastor is absent from his church taking rest, and many of the members also, some who remain at home do not attend church. Because some stranger is to fill the pulpit, or because their more intimate associates are absent, or because the congregation is so small, or for some other reason, they stay at home. This is a shame. Not the worship of God, but something else, draws them to the sanctuary, when they do go."

EVERY teacher in a Sunday-school has a duty to the school as a whole, as well as a duty to his own particular scholars. The school does not belong to him, but he does belong to the school. In the opening and closing exercises, in the teachers' weekly meeting for lesson study, in the united planning and doing of the school for its scholars, each teacher has a place and a part. If he fails there, he is not faithful to his duties as a teacher in that school. It is not enough to be faithful to one's class; one must be faithful to one's fellow-teachers, to one's superintendent, and to one's school, in order to be a really good Sunday-school teacher.

"Examine Thyself."

BY all means use some time to be alone,
Salute thyself: see what thy soul doth wear.

Dare to look in thy chest; for 'tis thine own;

And tumble up and down what thou find'st there.

Who cannot rest till he good fellows find,

He breaks up house, turns out of doors his mind.

Sum up by night what thou hast done by day,

And in the morning, what thou hast to do;

Dress and undress thy soul; mark the decay

And growth of it; if, with thy watch, that, too,

Be down, then wind up both; since we shall be

Most surely judged, make thy accounts agree.—George Herbert.

A TABLE

giving a summary of the Home Mission work of our whole Church at the close of 1889. The "estimated cost" does not include church-building.

BOARD.	REPRESENTING WHAT SYNOD.	HOW MANY MISSIONS.	ESTIMATED COST.
Tri-Synodic,	{ United States, Pittsburgh, . . Potomac, . .	. . 55 . .	. \$19,000 .
Bd. of General Synod, . .	Ohio,	. . 16 . .	. 5,600 . .
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Eastern German,	German Synod of East,	. . 11 . .	. 3,000 . .
Interior,	Interior,	. . 1 . .	. 200 . .

WHEN one asks a favor of you after he has wronged you, it evinces his penitence, and is his silent petition for forgiveness.

DON'T wait till the iron is hot to strike, but make it hot by striking.

OCTOBER,

10th Month, 31 Days.

1890.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SUN RISES M. H. M.	SUN SETS M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Wednesday	1 Remigius	2 Tim. 1:	8 14		16 Sirius rises 1 5	10 6	11 5	49 3 27
Thursday	2 Chr. Schmidt	" 2:	8 54		28 Ψ δ Δ . Formal south 10 16	11 6	12 5	48 4 12
Friday	3 The two Ewalds	" 3:	9 35		10 Δ sets 12 36	11 6	13 5	47 5 9
Saturday	4 Franciscus	" 4:	10 20		23 δ sets 10 17	11 6	15 5	45 6 1

40] Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 22: 34-46; 4 Cor. 1: 4-9. Day's Length, 11 hours, 28 min.

Sunday	5 Petro Carnesec	Heb. 1:	11 13		4 5. δ rises 3 56	12 6	16 5	44 6 48
Monday	6 Henry Albert	" 2:	morn.		17 δ in δ . Rigel rises 9 53	12 6	17 5	43 7 32
Tuesday	7 Theodore Beza	" 3; 4:	12 20		29 δ stationary.	12 6	19 5	41 8 18
Wednesday	8 Robt. of Lincoln	" 5:	1 26		13 Δ in apo. γ^* rises 7 17	12 6	20 5	40 9 5
Thursday	9 Dionysius Areo	" 6:	2 31		27 γ sets 7 44	13 6	21 5	39 9 56
Friday	10 Justus Jonas	" 7:	3 51		11 δ δ Δ . γ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	13 6	22 5	38 10 53
Saturday	11 U. Zwingli died	" 8:	4 37		25 δ in Perihelion	13 6	24 5	36 11 56

41] Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 9: 1-8; Eph. 4: 17-32. Day's Length, 11 hours, 10 min.

Sunday	12 Henry Bullinger	Heb. 9: 1-14	5 12		11 δ δ Δ . Regulus rises 2 6	13 6	25 5	35 12 24
Monday	13 Elizabeth Frey	" 9: 15	Δ sets	26 	13. Markab south 9 42	14 6	26 5	34 1 28
Tuesday	14 Mich. Ridley	" 10: 1-18	6 31		11 δ δ Δ . δ sets 10 15	14 6	28 5	32 2 20
Wednesday	15 Aurelia	" 10: 19	7 3		26 Ψ gr. elong. West. δ rises 5 20	14 6	29 5	31 3 16
Thursday	16 Gallus	" 11:	7 34		11 δ rises 3 20	14 6	30 5	30 4 14
Friday	17 Rev. Edict of Nantes	" 12:	8 14		25 γ δ Δ . γ sets 7 40	15 6	31 5	29 5 10
Saturday	18 St. Luke Evang.	" 13:	9 10		9 Δ sets 11 51	15 6	32 5	28 6 1

42] Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 22: 1-14; Eph. 5: 15-21. Day's Length, 10 hours, 52 min.

Sunday	19 Bruno	Prov. 1: 2:	10 8		23 Aldebaran rises 7 55	15 6	34 5	26 6 49
Monday	20 F. Lamb't of Avi	" 3:	11 6		6 δ δ Δ . δ δ Δ	15 6	35 5	25 7 35
Tuesday	21 Hilarion	" 4:	morn.		20 δ δ Δ . δ in Perihelion	15 6	36 5	24 8 19
Wednesday	22 Hedwig	" 5; 6: 1-19	12 28		1 δ sets 10 12	15 6	38 5	22 9 3
Thursday	23 Henry Martin	" 6: 20; 7:	1 43		13 γ sets 7 35. $\odot$ enters m	16 6	39 5	21 9 48
Friday	24 Arethas	" 8:	2 50		26 Δ in Per. Antares south 6 48	16 6	40 5	20 10 32
Saturday	25 John Herz	" 9:	3 58		8 δ rises 2 47	16 6	41 5	19 11 25

43] Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. John 4: 47-54; Eph. 6: 10-17. Day's Length, 10 hours, 36 min.

Sunday	26 Frederick III.	Prov. 10; 11:	4 59		20 Δ Π $\odot$. Cappella south 2 49	16 6	42 5	18 12 34
Monday	27 Frumentius	" 12; 13:	Δ rises	1 	27. Rigel rises 8 29	16 6	43 5	17 1 25
Tuesday	28 Simon and Jude	" 14; 15:	6 20		13 Δ sets 11 20	16 6	45 5	15 2 16
Wednesday	29 Alfred the Great	" 16; 17:	6 54		25 γ gr. Brilliancy	16 6	46 5	14 3 5
Thursday	30 Jacob Sturm	" 18; 19:	7 38		7 Ψ δ Δ . Sirius rises 11 18	16 6	47 5	13 3 53
Friday	31 Reformation Fes.	" 20; 21; 22: 1-16	8 19		19 δ δ Δ . δ sets 10 8	16 6	48 5	12 4 40

MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter,	5th,	3 o'clock,	3 minutes,	afternoon.
New Moon,	13th,	6 "	5 "	evening.
First Quarter,	21st,	12 "	36 "	morning.
Full Moon,	27th,	6 "	41 "	evening.

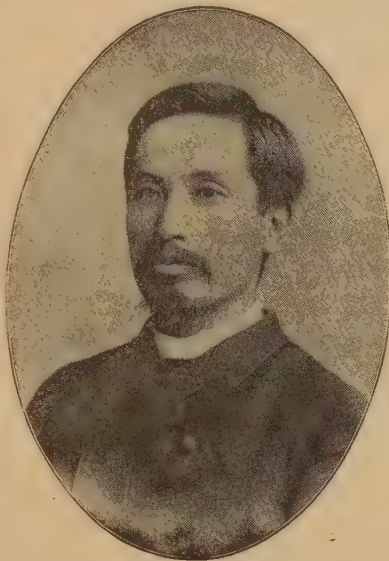
CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, clear; 4, 5, 6, variable; 7, 8, 9, autumn wind;
10, 11, 12, 13, clear and cool; 14, 15, 16, rain; 17, 18, clear;
19, 20, storm; 21, 22, 23, fair; 24, 25, variable; 26, 27, 28,
frosty; 29, 30, fair; 31, north-west cold winds and rain.

REV. MASAYOSHI OSHIKAWA.

THE subject of this brief sketch is very intimately allied to our mission work in the north of Japan. He is the leading pastor in the Sendai district, and our Church has been very fortunate in securing his valuable co-operation.

He was born at Matsuyama, Iyo, in the southern part of Japan, December 15, 1850. His father was a man of rank. At seven years of age he went to a private school, where he was taught reading and writing. He was an apt pupil and a born leader among his companions. At the age of eighteen, he was married to Miss Tsune, a daughter of Masayuki Oshikawa. His family name was Hashimoto, but by virtue of his adoption, he had to assume the new name of Oshikawa. About one year after his marriage, he was sent to Tokio by the feudal lord of his province to pursue a special course of study in the Imperial English College. Dissatisfied with the advantages of the institution in acquiring a thorough, practical knowledge of the English language, he came, at the request of his prince, to Yokohama, and began the study of English in a mission school of which the Rev. James Ballagh was the teacher. It was the intention of the government to send him to America to qualify him for greater usefulness among his own people. He did not like the Christians and felt that Christianity was the devil-religion. In a singular way at a prayer-meeting service, he was led to profess his faith in Jesus Christ. A confession of Christianity in those days was accompanied by many sacrifices, but his faith did not fail him. He was ready to be slain on the altar of God as a living sacrifice for the Truth's sake. At the time of his conversion there were only SIX known Christians (Protestant) in the whole empire of Japan.



REV. MASAYOSHI OSHIKAWA.

He has been an earnest worker for the Lord at Niigata, Sendai, and the regions round about. Through his personal efforts many souls have become the heirs of eternal salvation. He deserves the title of *bishop* of our educational and evangelistic work in the north of Japan. As a scholar and preacher he has no superior in the nation. The state of his health has been such for several years that he was unable to do full work. He has come to our country to sojourn amongst us for a year or more, and we are confident that his visit will afford his own people a better conception of the power of Christianity in the Family, the State, and the Church.

He has a three-fold purpose in view:

1. To regain, if possible, his physical strength for his future life-work.
 2. To imbibe the spirit of our Christian institutions.
 3. To raise funds for the new Seminary building and church edifice at Sendai.
- May the Lord grant him the first; may the institutions bestow the second; may the churches provide the last.

 SOME people are always late at church. They seem not to care for the whole service; the opening hymn, the introductory prayer, and even the Scripture lesson, they practically repudiate. They are great for the sermon however; but how can the sermon be great for them—coming to them, under the circumstances, abruptly? A few minutes in silent, thoughtful meditation, before the public services begin, so as to get into harmonious accord with the occasion, is the requisite for profit and enjoyment.—*Selected.*

NOVEMBER,

11th Month, 30 Days.

1896.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S. A.	MOON'S PLACE. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. RISES SETS. M. H. M. H. M.	SUN RISES SETS. M. H. M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Saturday	1 All Saints	Prov. 22: 17; 23; 24:	9 13	 1	h rises 2 26	16 6	50 5 10	5 24

44] Fourth Sunday before Advent. Matt. 9: 18-26; Col. 1: 9-14. Day's Length, 10 hours, 18 min.

Sunday	2 All Souls	John 21: 1-23	10 4	 13	Orion rises 8 52	16 6	51 5	9 6 10
Monday	3 Priminus	1 John 1; 2:	11 6	 26	♀ sets 7 18	16 6	52 5	8 6 54
Tuesday	4 John A. Bengel	" 3:	morn.	 9	4. Formal south 8 8	16 6	53 5	7 7 33
Wednesday	5 Hans Egede	" 4:	12 7	 21	♂ in apo. ♀ sets 10 52	16 6	54 5	6 8 10
Thursday	6 Gustav. Adolph	" 5:	12 54	 5	♂ sets 9 58	16 6	56 5	4 8 51
Friday	7 Willibrord	2 John	1 45	 19	h 6 ♀. h rises 2 8	16 6	58 5	2 9 32
Saturday	8 Willehad	3 John	2 37	 4	7* south 12 3	16 6	59 5	1 10 18

45] Third Sunday before Advent. Matt. 24: 15-28; 1 Thess. 4: 13-18. Day's Length, 10 hours, 0 min.

Sunday	9 John v. Staupitz	Rev. 1:	3 29	 19	Sirius rises 10 39	16 7	0 5	0 11 6
Monday	10 Martin Luther	" 2:	4 28	 4	♂ 6 ♀. Regulus ¹¹⁻¹² 14	16 7	1 4	59 11 46
Tuesday	11 Martin of Tours	" 3:	5 27	 19	♀ sets 10 41	16 7	2 4	58 12 34
Wednesday	12 Phil. de Mornay	" 4; 5; 6: 1-12	♂ sets	 4	12. ♀ 6 ♀. ^{We a sets 12 4}	16 7	3 4	57 1 10
Thursday	13 Arcadius	" 7; 8; 9:	5 56	 19	♀ stationary. ♂ 6 ♀	16 7	4 4	56 1 49
Friday	14 Pet. Mart. Verm.	" 9: 13; 10; 11:	6 57	 4	♂ in ♄. ♀ 6 ♀	15 7	5 4	55 2 30
Saturday	15 John Kepler	" 12; 13:	7 57	 18	♀ sets 6 48	15 7	6 4	51 3 12

46] Second Sunday before Advent. Matt. 25: 31-46; 1 Thess. 1: 3-10. Day's Length, 9 hours, 46 min.

Sunday	16 Casp. Creuziger	Rev. 14: 1-13	8 58	 2	♂ 6 ☉ superior	15 7	7 4	53 3 55
Monday	17 Bernward	" 14; 14-20	9 59	 15	♀ 6 ♀. ♂ 6 ♀	15 7	8 4	52 4 41
Tuesday	18 Greg. Illuminat.	" 15:	11 14	 28	♂ in Per. ♂ sets 9 50	15 7	9 4	51 5 19
Wednesday	19 Elizab. of Hesse	" 16: 1-8	morn.	 10	19. ♀ sets 10 3	14 7	10 4	50 6 17
Thursday	20 John Williams	" 16: 9	12 0	 22	h rises 1 20	14 7	11 4	49 7 16
Friday	21 Columbanus	" 17:	1 1	 4	Altair sets 10 23	14 7	12 4	48 8 16
Saturday	22 J. Oecolampadius	" 18:	2 8	 16	♀ sets 6 27. ☉ ^{en- ters} 1 ♂	14 7	12 4	48 9 14

47] Sunday before Advent. Matt. 25: 1-13; 2 Peter 3: 3-14. Day's Length, 9 hours, 34 min.

Sunday	23 Clem. Roman	Rev. 19: 1-10	3 22	 28	Andromeda south 8 5	13 7	13 4	47 10 21
Monday	24 John Knox	" 19: 11; 20: 1-3	4 34	 10	♂ in Aphelion	13 7	14 4	46 11 27
Tuesday	25 Catherine	" 20: 4	5 50	 22	 Rigel rises 6 33	13 7	15 4	45 12 34
Wednesday	26 Conrad	" 21: 1-8	♂ rises	 9	26. ♀ 6 ♀	13 7	16 4	44 1 10
Thursday	27 Marg't Blaarer	" 21: 9; 22:	5 56	 16	♂ 8 ☉. Cappella ^{south 12 43}	12 7	17 4	43 1 41
Friday	28 Alex. Roussell	Psalms 96:	6 50	 28	♂ sets 9 44	12 7	17 4	43 2 52
Saturday	29 Saturninus	" 145:	7 41	 10	♂ 6 ♀. Arietis south 9 36	12 7	18 4	42 3 12

48] First Sunday in Advent. Matt. 21: 8-11; Rom. 13: 11-14. Day's Length, 9 hours, 24 min.

Sunday	30 St. Andrew	John 1: 1-14	8 36	 23	♀ sets 6 0	11 7	18 4	42 3 55
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MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter,	4th, 11 o'clock, 13 minutes, forenoon.
New Moon,	12th, 8 " 37 " "
First Quarter,	19th, 7 " 44 " morning.
Full Moon,	26th, 8 " 22 " forenoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, frost; 4, 5, 6, cold and windy; 7, 8, 9, clear; 10, 11, 12, cold rains; 13, 14, 15, clear; 16, 17, fair; 18, 19, 20, stormy; 21, 22, 23, clear; 24, 25, 26, cold rains; 27, 28, 29, 30, Indian Summer.

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DECEMBER,

12th Month, 31 Days.

1890.

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Monday	1 Eligius	Gen. 2: 4-25	9 33		5 ♄ sets 9 40	♌	11 7	19 4	41 4 41
Tuesday	2 John Ruysbrock	Matt. 19: 1-12	10 34		18 Altair sets 9 34		10 7	19 4	41 5 50
Wednesday	3 Gerhard Groot	Eph. 5: 22-33	11 32		1 ☾ in Apo. ♀ ☽ inferior		10 7	20 4	40 6 44
Thursday	4 Gerh. v. Zütphen.	1 Cor. 7:	morn.		15 4. ♄ ☽ ♃. ♄ rises 12 15		9 7	20 4	40 7 37
Friday	5 Crispin	Gen. 3:	12 38		28 Formal sets 10 9		9 7	21 4	39 8 30
Saturday	6 Nicholas	" 8: 15 to 9: 17	1 37		13 ♀ in ♍. Orion rises 6 29	♋	9 7	22 4	38 9 22

49] Second Sunday in Advent.

Luke 21: 25-33; Rom. 15: 4-13.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 16 min.

Sunday	7 Paulus Odontius	Acts 17: 15-34	2 36		28 ♃ sets 8 47		8 7	22 4	38 10 11
Monday	8 Mart. Rinkard	Gen. 15:	3 35		13 ♄ ☽. ♄ ☐ ☽		8 7	23 4	37 10 57
Tuesday	9 Benj. Schmolck	Deut. 3:	4 34		27 ♄ sets 9 35		7 7	23 4	37 11 41
Wednesday	10 Paul Eber	Exodus 12:	5 33		13 Aldebaran south 11 17		7 7	23 4	37 12 1
Thursday	11 Hen. v. Zütphen.	Deut. 27:	♃ sets		27 11. ♄ ☽ ♃. 7* south 10 24		7 7	24 4	36 12 40
Friday	12 Spiridion	Romans 7:	5 24		12 ♄ ☽. ♄ rises 11 40	♌	6 7	24 4	36 1 27
Saturday	13 Odilia	Leviticus 16:	6 27		25 Regulus rises 9 52		6 7	24 4	36 2 11

50] Third Sunday in Advent.

Matt. 11: 2-10; 1 Cor. 4: 1-5.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.

Sunday	14 Dioscorus	Isa. 40: John 5:	7 28		10 ♃ in Per. ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. S.		5 7	25 4	35 2 57
Monday	15 Christiana	1 Peter 1: 3-12	8 42		23 ♄ ☽ ♃. ♃ sets 8 22		5 7	25 4	35 3 40
Tuesday	16 Adelheid	2 Samuel 7:	9 56		6 ♄ ☽ ♃. Arietis south 8 23		4 7	25 4	35 4 25
Wednesday	17 Ember Day	Joel 3:	11 7		19 ♄ sets 9 30		4 7	25 4	35 5 10
Thursday	18 Lou. v. Seckendorf	Jer. 23:	morn.		1 18. Achernar south 7 42		3 7	25 4	35 5 59
Friday	19 Cl. Alexandrinus	" 31:	12 14		12 ♄ rises 11 6	♌	3 7	25 4	35 6 53
Saturday	20 Abraham	Isa. 52: 13; 53:	1 20		24 Rigel south 11 17		2 7	25 4	35 7 54

51] Fourth Sunday in Advent.

John 1: 19-34; Phil. 4: 4-7.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 8 min.

Sunday	21 Thomas	John 3: 23-33	2 28		7 ☽ enters ♊. coldest Day. Winter begins.		2 7	26 4	34 8 59
Monday	22 Hugh McKail	Isaiah 42:	3 30		18 ♃ sets 7 56		1 7	25 4	35 9 58
Tuesday	23 Anna du Bourg	" 49:	4 40		0 ♄ ☽. ♄ stationary		0 7	25 4	35 10 45
Wednesday	24 Adam and Eve	" 55:	5 35		12 Formal sets 8 48		Sun 7	25 4	35 11 43
Thursday	25 Christmas	" 9: 27	6 24		24 ♄ sets 9 28		sl'w 7	25 4	35 12 40
Friday	26 Stephen	Titus 3: 4-7	♃ rises		6 26. Orion south 11 25		0 7	25 4	35 1 27
Saturday	27 St. John Evang.	1 John 1: 1-10	5 58		18 Wega south 8 50	♌	1 7	25 4	35 2 13

52] Sunday after Christmas.

Luke 2: 33-40; Gal. 4: 1-7.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.

Sunday	28 Innocents	Rev. 14: 1-5	6 57		2 ♄ gr. Elong E. ♄ sets 6 7		2 7	25 4	35 2 55
Monday	29 David	Romans 8:	7 56		14 ♃ sets 7 33		2 7	24 4	36 3 42
Tuesday	30 Christian of Wartemburg	1 Cor. 8: 1-16	8 54		28 ♃ in apo. Sirius south 12 2		3 7	24 4	36 4 27
Wednesday	31 John Wicliff	Psalms 90:	9 50		12 ♄ ☽ ♃. ♄ rises 10 14		3 7	24 4	36 5 12

MOON'S PHASES.

Last Quarter,	4th,	8 o'clock,	20 minutes,	forenoon.
New Moon,	11th,	10 "	10 "	evening.
First Quarter,	18th,	3 "	36 "	evening.
Full Moon,	26th,	12 "	57 "	morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, fair; 3, 4, 5, windy and rain; 6, 7, 8, cold; 9, 10, variable; 11, 12, snow; 13, 14, 15, 16, N. W. cold; 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, rain; 22, 23, fair; 24, 25, clear and cold; 26, 27, frosty; 28, 29, mild; 30, 31, fair.

(♀). Venus is in inferior conjunction with the Sun on the 3d, and passes from Evening to Morning Star.

DECEMBER.

CHRISTMAS.

WE hail joyous Christmas,
That blessed of days,
When good men and Angels
Join in anthems of praise.

It was meet GOD'S Anointed,
Awaited so long,
Should be greeted with rapture,
And welcom'd with song:

For now is old Satan,
With lightning speed hurl'd
From long held dominion,
O'er our sin-stricken world.

Give thanks to the Father,
Who so lov'd our race
That He offer'd His Son,
And saves us through grace.

Oh, come then all people,
Ye nations of earth,
And greet the Messiah,
Rejoice at His birth.



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Heidelberg Seminary, Tiffin, O.

LESSON HELPS FOR OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE Lesson Helps are now published under the auspices of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod. The same lessons and comments are to be used all over the Church, East and West, North and South. There is a great improvement in them over those formerly published. They consequently are calculated to aid greatly, teachers and scholars, in the study of the lessons. Teachers have the *Guardian* and the *Heidelberg Teacher* for their use. The *Guardian* contains in addition to the lessons and comments, interesting and suitable matter for young men and women of the Church, whilst the *Heidelberg Teacher* contains only the lessons and comments, and is to be had at a less cost than the other.

The larger scholars have the *Scholars' Quarterly* and the *Advanced Lesson Papers*, whilst the infant scholars have the *Primary Lesson Paper* for their use.

The comments upon the lessons are from the standpoint of the Church, and consequently the *Helps* containing them are the only proper ones for Sunday-schools of the Reformed Church to use. This should claim the attention of officers of the Sunday-schools of the Church.

THE OLD YEAR'S BLESSING.

I AM fading from you,
But one draweth near,
Called the Angel guardian
Of the coming year.

If my gifts and graces
Coldly you forget,
Let the New Year's angel
Bless and crown them yet.

For we work together,
He and I are one;
Let him end and perfect
All I leave undone.

I brought good desires,
Though as yet but seeds;
Let the New Year make them
Blossom into deeds.

CHURCH ARCHITECTURE.

In this there is room for great improvement in our Church,

though within a few years a number of churches have been erected in which the hand of a skilled architect is visible. It pays to employ one. We call attention to the advertisement of J. W. B. Fry, in our Almanac, who has recently made plans for a number of our churches. He is in every way qualified. His work speaks for itself.

The perspective view of the church in Mr. Fry's advertisement in Almanac of 1889, was that of Calvary Reformed Church, recently erected in Reading, Pa. The one in his advertisement this year, is that of St. Andrew's Reformed Church, which is now being erected in the same city. Both of these churches are branches of St. Paul's Memorial Church, of which Rev. B. Bausman, D. D., is pastor.

→OUR ADVERTISERS.←

WE would call attention to the advertisements in this issue of the Almanac. They are of a select class, and the several advertisers are well worthy of the confidence of those who have need to patronize them.

NECROLOGY

FROM SEPTEMBER 1st, 1888, TO AUGUST 31st, 1889.

BUCHER, D. D., REV. JOHN CASPER.—Born near Linglestown, Dauphin Co., Pa., June 18, 1804. Studied in Academy at Harrisburg, Pa. Entered Theological Seminary at Carlisle, and graduated in 1828. Was licensed and ordained 1828. First charge, Cavetown, Md., two years; (2) Middletown, Md., twelve years; (3) First Church, Reading, Pa., six years; (4) Was agent for college at Lancaster from 1850 to 1854; (5) Sulphur Springs Charge, five years; (6) Milflinburg, Pa., three years; (7) Pottsville, Pa., four years. Retired and removed to Lewisburg, Pa. Married Eliza N. Frey, Oct. 6, 1829, who died in 1847. They had eight children, five of whom survive him. Died October 23, 1888, aged 84 years, 4 months and 5 days. Buried at Harrisburg, Pa.

GRISZEL, REV. JOHN FREDERICK.—Born December 12, 1821, in Metterzimmern, Wurtemberg. Emigrated to America, March 12, 1848. Settled in Liverpool, O. United with Evangelical Association. Removed to Wells Co., Ind. Became a circuit preacher in 1854. In 1873 was ordained a minister of the Reformed Church. He served the following charges, Antwerp, O., Columbia City, Ind., Marion Township, Allen Co., Ind. In 1883 he retired from the active ministry because of old age. Married Catharine Dunke in 1836, who died in 1883. They had seven children, but two daughters survive him. Died at Newville, Ind., March 31, 1889, aged 76 years, 3 months and 10 days. Buried at Newville, Ind.

GLESSNER, REV. GEORGE WASHINGTON.—Born April 1, 1806, in York, Pa. Studied at York and graduated in Theological Seminary there. Licensed and ordained June 1, 1832. First charge, Waynesboro', eight years; (2) First Church Lancaster, seven years; (3) Waynesboro', four years; (4) Shippensburg, five years; (5) Middletown, Md., five years; (6) Wilkesbarre, one year; (7) Frederick, Md., nine years; (8) Newburg, three years. Retired in 1877, and returned to Shippensburg, Pa. Married in 1832 to Miss Besore, by whom he had three daughters who survive him. She died whilst pastor at Lancaster. He married in 1840, Mrs. Mary Ann Cole, who died in 1880. Died December 3, 1888, aged 82 years, 8 months and 2 days. Buried at Shippensburg, Pa.

GRING, REV. WILLIAM AUGUSTUS.—Son of Rev. Daniel and Catharine Gring. Born January 12, 1838, in Turbot Township, Northumberland Co., Pa. Graduated from Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, in 1860. Graduated from Theological Seminary Lancaster, Pa., in 1862. First charge, Grantsville, Somerset Co., Pa., three years; (2) Second Mission, Harrisburg, Pa., two years; (3) Mt. Moriah, Md., seven years; (4) Sulphur Springs, Bedford Co., Pa., five years; (5) Emmitsburg, Md., one year. Retired on account of ill-health. Was engaged till his death, in such secular work, as the state of his health would permit. Married Emma A. Stonebraker in 1873. They had two daughters, one of them having preceded him to the Heavenly Home. Died February 8, 1889, aged 51 years and 15 days. Buried at Frederick, Md.

HARTMETZ, REV. F. P.—Born in Hindersheim, Rempfalz, Bavaria, March 15, 1850. Received his training in the gymnasium at Gruenstadt. Came to America in 1868. Studied Theology at Tiffin, O. Graduated in 1873, and was licensed and ordained same year. First charge, Denver, Col., six months; (2) Sharon, Pa., nine years; (3) Brush Creek, O., to his death. Married in 1874 to Caroline Desch, who, with four children survives him. Died Sept. 11, 1888, aged 38 years, 5 months and 27 days. Buried at Sharon, Pa.

HERMAN, REV. J. SASSAMAN.—Son of Rev. Chas. G. and Mary (Sassaman) Herman. Born April 10, 1818, in Maxatawny Township, Berks Co., Pa. Studied at Kutztown Academy and at the Trappe, Pa. Studied Theology with Rev. J. Guldin, D. D., and his father. Licensed and ordained in 1836. Served congregations around Kutztown, Pa., thirteen in all, during his life time; four of them being the charge he served at time of his death. Was married February 16, 1847 to Emeline Lobach, who, with two daughters, survives him. Died January 7, 1889, aged 70 years, 8 months and 27 days. Buried at Kutztown, Pa.

HACKMAN, REV. W. G.—Son of Ephraim and Mary M. Hackman. Born at Milesburg, Pa., May 17, 1819. Graduated from Institutions at Mercersburg. Licensed and ordained in 1846. First charge, Freeburg, Pa., three years; (2) Adamsburg, Pa., nine years; (3) Kulpville, Pa., eight years; (4) Burr Oak, Mich., — years; (5) Freeport, Ills., one and a half years; (6) Elkhart, Ind., two years.

Retired on account of ill health. Resided at Burr Oak, Mich. Married March 14, 1848, to Mary A. Arbogast, who died in 1881. They had eleven children, ten surviving him. Died January 13, 1889, aged 69 years, 7 months and 26 days. Buried at Burr Oak, Mich.

KLINE, REV. JACOB.—Born August 24, 1805. For sixteen years was an Evangelical Circuit Preacher. Was licensed and ordained in 1851. First charge, Lewistown, fourteen years; (2) Jerusalem's, seventeen years. Retired in 1882. Resided at Schuylkill Haven, Pa., where he died July 7, 1889, aged 83 years, 10 months, 14 days. Was the father of ten children, four of whom survive him. Buried at Schuylkill Haven, Pa.

KREMER, D. D., REV. FRANKLIN WILLIAM.—Son of Frederick W. and Anna Margaret (Yentzer) Kremer. Born November 16, 1816, in Washington, Lancaster Co., Pa. Attended school in York. Entered Preparatory Department at Mercersburg, in one year and a half entered Marshall College, and graduated in 1843. Entered the Theological Seminary and graduated in 1844. Was licensed and ordained in 1844. First charge, Grindstone Hill, Franklin Co., Pa., seven years; (2) and last, First Church, Lebanon, Pa., thirty-eight years. Married twice, first time to Margaretta Weishire Keller, on April 9, 1846, by whom he had three children, two sons and a daughter. She died January 5, 1855. Second time, married to Henrietta Cromwell, who died the same year. Was killed in crossing railroad near Lebanon, Pa., June 14, 1889, aged 72 years, 6 months, 28 days. Buried at Lebanon, Pa.

KURTZ, D. D., REV. H. W.—Born March 12, 1823, in Castle of Breran, Moravia. Was educated for the priesthood of the Romish Church. Completed his collegiate education in gymnasium at Olmuetz. Studied Theology at University of Prague. Ordained to the priesthood, and became Professor of Physics and higher Mathematics in the Ober gymnasium at Saatz. Renounced the Romish Church in 1856, and went to Hoyersweida, Silesia. Entered the Evangelical ministry in 1856. In 1856 became pastor of a German Bohemian congregation in Strausseney, County of Glatz. After a pastorate of seven years there, he became pastor of a free congregation (Presbyterian) at Breslau. Was pastor there one and a half years. Was sent by "Berlin Society" to America in 1865. First charge, Waukesha, Wisc., two years; (2) Milwaukee, Wisc., two years; (3) Sharon, till his death. Became Professor in Mission House in 1871. Was proficient in music. Married July 7, 1860, to Pauline Wenda, who died in 1865. Had two sons, one surviving him. Married second time in 1867, his widow with seven children survives him. Died May 31, 1889, aged 66 years, 2 months and 19 days.

LOOS, D. D., REV. ISAAC KALBACH.—Son of Conrad and Elizabeth Loos. Born May 15, 1830, in Heidelberg Township, Berks Co., Pa. Graduated in Marshall College 1852. Entered Theological Seminary and graduated in 1854. Was licensed and ordained May 25, 1854. First charge, Upper Mt. Bethel, thirteen years; (2) Christ, Bethlehem, Pa., twenty-one years; St. Paul's, Bethlehem, Pa., until his death. Married Catharine Ann Butz, Nov. 13, 1856. Had eight children, six sons and two daughters, one son dying in infancy. Died July 5, 1889, aged 59 years, 1 month and 20 days. Buried at Bethlehem, Pa.

SCHMIDT, REV. REINHARDT.—Born May 15, 1836, at Obernunselen-Oberamt-Schoffheim, Baden. Emigrated to this country in July, 1854. Settled in Reading, Pa. Studied privately four years Entered Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa. Was licensed and ordained in 1862. First charge, Glassboro', N. J., one year; (2) Sullivan County, three years; (3) Trinity, York Co., Pa., twenty years; (4) Glassboro', N. J., two years; (5) Swanton, O., till his death. Married Anna Halker in 1863, who died the same year. Married second time, Hannah C. Schaefer in 1864. Had five children. Died May 21, 1869, aged 53 years and 6 days. Buried at Swanton, O.

SNYDER, REV. WILLIAM, H. H.—Born December 9, 1836, at McConnellstown, Pa. Graduated from Franklin and Marshall College, 1861, and from Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., 1863. Licensed and ordained 1863. First charge, Akron, O., one year; (2) Salems, Harrisburg, Pa., twenty-two years; (3) Bellefonte, Pa., till his death. For fifteen years was Secretary of Tri-Synodic Board of Missions. Married Naomi Erismann in 1865, who, with two children, a son and daughter, survives him. Died at Atlantic City, N. J., April 20, 1889, aged 51 years, 4 months and 11 days. Buried at Lancaster, Pa.

NECROLOGY—Continued.

STAUFFER, REV. ALBERT S.—Son of Moses K. and Lavinia Stauffer. Born December 29, 1842. Prepared for college in several Academies. Entered Franklin and Marshall College 1867, graduated 1870, and left the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, 1873. Licensed and ordained in 1873. First charge, St. Clair, Pa., three years; (2) Lykens, Pa., three years; (3) Elizabethville, Pa., three years; (4) Hummelstown, Pa., five years; (5) Line Mountain, Pa., till his death. Married Miss Samaria Nieman, Oct. 10, 1876, who died in 1885. Married second time, Miss Mary Bressler September 16, 1886, who survives him. Died July 8, 1889, aged 46 years, 6 months and 9 days. Buried at Hegins, Pa.

WEBER, REV. GEORGE.—Born in Philadelphia, January 7, 1819. Was licensed and ordained in 1853. Labored in Mission fields in the West during the greater part of the thirty-five years he was permitted to labor. Married Maria W. Hoffeditz Nov. 30, 1848, who, with five children, survives him. Died October 15, 1888, aged 69 years, 9 months and 8 days.

WINTERS, REV. THOMAS H.—Son of Rev. Thomas Winters. Born October 12, 1812, near Dayton, O. Studied privately under his father. Licensed and ordained, 1834. First charge, Somerset, O., six years; (2) Evansport, O., two years; (3) Fairfield, O., two years; (4) West Alexandria, O., five years; (5) Caesar's Creek, O., fifteen years; (6) Carrollton, O., three years; (7) East Union, one year; (8) Folk, O., one year. Without charge, one year; (9) Union, O., three years; (10) Highland, three years. Retired in 1878. Married Harriet Hivling in 1835, who died in 1855. They had nine children, one of whom survives him. Died April 13, 1889, aged 76 years, 6 months and 1 day. Buried at Xenia, O.

WISLER, REV. HENRY.—Born June 5, 1831, near Lancaster City, Pa. Graduated from Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., in 1854; and at Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., in 1856. Licensed and ordained, 1856. First charge, Phoenixville, Pa., two years; (2) Manchester, Md., six years; (3) Shepherdstown, W. Va., six years; (4) Lovettsville, Va., two years; (5) Duncannon, two years; (6) Mechanicstown, Md., ten years. Retired on account of

ill health. Married Cornelia A. Everhart, June 14, 1859, who, with five children, two sons and three daughters, survives him. Died April 13th, 1889, near Mechanicstown, Md., aged 57 years, 10 months and 8 days. Buried at Mechanicstown, Md.

WOLFE, D. D., REV. GEORGE.—Son of Henry and Sarah Wolff. Born January 11, 1822, near Harrisburg, Pa. Graduated at Marshall College, and Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., in 1847. Licensed and ordained in 1848. First charge, Curllsville, Pa., five years; (2) Paradise, Pa., seven years; (3) Myerstown, twenty-eight years. Married Hannah Bittenbender on November 5th, 1851, who, with two children, survives him. One child died in infancy. Died February 19, 1889, aged 67 years, 1 month and eight days. Buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Myerstown, Pa.

YEARICK, REV. WILLIAM R.—Son of John and Salome Yearick. Born October 31, 1817, in Grass Township, Centre Co., Pa. Studied at Pennsylvania and Marshall College, and left the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., in 1844. Licensed and ordained in 1844. First charge, Rebersburg, Pa., three years; (2) Nitany, fifteen years; (3) Principal of Female Seminary, Jacksonsville, Pa., two years; (4) Doylestown, Pa., nine years; (5) Hilltown, and Doylestown, eighteen years. Retired because of failing health, and removed to Jacksonsville, Pa., where he resided until within seven months of his death. Married twice, first, June 6, 1844, to Susanah Hackenberg, by whom he had eight children, of whom, six survive. Second, December 24, 1863, to Wilhelmina B. Harpel, by whom he had six children, four of whom, with the mother, survive him. Died at Hublersburg, Pa. December 4, 1888, aged 71 years, 1 month and 8 days. Buried at Hilltown, Pa.

ZIEGLER, REV. JACOB.—Born in Rockland, Berks Co., Pa., January, 6, 1809. Was licensed and ordained in 1837. First charge in Chester Co., Pa., a few months; (2) Bedford Pa., eleven years; (3) Gettysburg, Pa., sixteen years; (4) Paradise, York Co., Pa., six years. Retired because of ill health. Was an invalid for sixteen years. Died November 10, 1888, aged 79 years, 10 months and 4 days. A widow and a large family survive him. Buried at York, Pa.

FORM FOR BEQUESTS.

IN making a bequest to one or more benevolent objects, it is important that a proper form be used; otherwise the intent of the testator may be defeated. Hence we suggest the following:

"I give and bequeath to the 'Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of dollars; to 'Franklin and Marshall College,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of dollars; to the 'Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church of the United States,' of which Elder W. H. Seibert, of Harrisburg, Pa., is at present Treasurer, the sum of dollars; to the 'Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of dollars; to the 'Board of Education of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the U. S.,' of which Rev. Charles G. Fisher is at present Treasurer, the sum of dollars; to the 'Board of Education of the Synod of the Potomac,' of which Rev. William M. Deatrick is at present Treasurer, the sum of dollars; to the 'Board of Beneficiary Education of the Pittsburgh Synod,' of which Rev. Cyrus R. Dieffenbacher is at present Treasurer,

the sum of dollars; to the 'Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located in Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of dollars; to the 'Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of dollars; to 'Bethany Orphans' Home,' located at Womelsdorf, Pa., the sum of dollars; and to 'St. Paul's Orphans' Home,' located at Butler, Pa., the sum of dollars. The several sums thus bequeathed to be used by the respective Associations for the general purposes of their organization."

GIFTS.

There was never on earth a gift like mine;
For what the Lord gave me
He gave me unto thee,
But entrusted thee with a new design;
Then unto each gave He
Command to walk, with the gift He'd given,
From the lowly earth to the lofty heaven.

But the gift He gave to thee
I coveted, as thou didst mine;
And the word of the Lord divine
Was broken by you and me;
So we sit by the way and pine,
When we might have gone, with the gift He'd given,
From the lowly earth to the lofty heaven.

—Christian Register.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

FROM SEPTEMBER 1st, 1888. TO AUGUST 31st, 1889.

1888.		1888.	
Sept.	3—Opening of Fall Session of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.	Nov.	14—Dedication of New College and Seminary Building of the Mission House, near Franklin, Wis.
"	4—Opening of Fall Session of Fall Term of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. Address by Rev. F. A. Gast, D. D., subject—"The Mystery of Language."	"	15—Death of Rev. J. C. Bucher, D. D., Lewisburg, Pa.
"	5—Opening of Fall Session of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O. Address by Rev. Samuel Schwarm, of the Evg. Lutheran Church.	"	15—Death of Rev. Geo. Weber, Vinton, Iowa.
"	" Opening of First Term of Wichita University, Wichita, Kan.	"	18—Dedication of Faith Church, Baltimore, Md., Rev. A. S. Weber, pastor.
"	" Opening of Fall Session of Mercersburg College, Mercersburg, Pa.	Dec.	3—Death of Rev. Geo. W. Glessner, D. D., Shippenburg, Pa.
"	12—Annual Meeting of Central Synod at New Philadelphia, O. Rev. F. O. Zesch, D. D., President, and Rev. John Bachman, Stated Clerk.	"	4—Death of Rev. Wm. R. Yearick, Hublersburg, Pa.
"	19—Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Pittsburgh Synod at Meadville, Pa.	"	5—Rev. D. Van Horne, D. D., chosen President of Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O., by the Board of Trustees of Seminary.
"	21—Annual Meeting of Pittsburgh Synod, Meyersdale, Pa. Rev. H. King, President, and Rev. J. M. Schick, Stated Clerk.	1889	30—Dedication of new church, Friend's Cove, Bedford Co., Pa., Rev. A. T. G. Apple, pastor.
"	30—Dedication of Bethel Church, Pine Grove Mills, Pa., Rev. W. H. Groh, pastor.	Jan.	3—Opening of Winter Term of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. Address by Rev. E. V. Gerhart, D. D., LL. D.
"	11—Death of Rev. F. P. Hartmetz, Archbold, O.	"	7—Death of Rev. J. S. Herman, Kutztown, Pa.
Oct.	4—Annual Meeting of Ohio Synod, Dayton, O., Rev. Prof. A. S. Zerbe, Ph. D., President, and Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D., Stated Clerk.	"	13—Death of Rev. W. G. Hackman, Burr Oak, Mich.
"	7—Dedication of Church at Shannondale, Pa., Rev. R. F. Gass, pastor.	Feb.	3—Dedication of St. John's Church, Markleville, Pa., Rev. W. R. H. Deatrich, pastor.
"	9—Annual Meeting of Potomac Synod, Woodstock, Va., Rev. W. R. H. Deatrich, President, and Rev. W. M. Deatrick, D. D., Stated Clerk.	"	" Dedication of St. John's Church, Butler Co., Pa., Rev. D. N. Harnish, pastor.
"	10—Annual Meeting of Synod of United States, Norristown, Pa., Rev. A. B. Koplin, D. D., President, and Rev. J. P. Stein, Stated Clerk.	"	11—Death of Rev. W. A. Gring, Frederick, Md.
"	12—Organization of Woman's Missionary Society of Synod of U. S. at Norristown, Pa.	"	10—Dedication of Spring Grove Church, Fairview, Kan., Rev. W. E. Shaley, pastor.
"	14—Dedication of Church at Iola, Kan., Rev. S. A. Alt, pastor.	"	28—Third Annual Meeting and Dinner of Franklin and Marshall Alumni Association of Philadelphia, at Hotel Bellevue.
"	21—Laying of corner-stone of Church at Fairview, Kan., Rev. W. E. Shaley, pastor.	"	19—Death of Rev. Geo. Wolff, D. D., Myerstown, Pa.
"	25—Annual Meeting of the Synod of the Interior, Tipton, Iowa, Rev. H. Bair, President, and Rev. T. F. Stauffer, Stated Clerk.	"	17—Dedication of Zion's Church, Markelsburg, Pa., Rev. H. F. Long, pastor.
Nov.	10—Death of Rev. Jacob Ziegler, York, Pa.	March	10—Dedication of St. Peter's Church, Wapwallopen, Pa., Rev. S. S. Kohler, pastor.
		"	31—Death of Rev. John Frederick Geiszel, Newville, Ind.
		April	12—Death of Rev. Thos. H. Winters, Xenia, O.
		"	13—Death of Rev. Henry Wissler, Mechanics town, Md.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH.—Continued.

1889.		1889.	
April	20—Death of Rev. William H. H. Snyder, of Bellefonte, Pa.	June	14—Death of Rev. F. W. Kremer, D. D., Lebanon, Pa.
"	25—Resignation of Rev. A. D. Gring as Missionary to Japan.	"	19—Commencement of Palatinate College, Myerstown, Pa.; <i>seven</i> graduates.
May	4—Dedication of Church at Cabin Hill, Va., Rev. H. Tallhelm, pastor.	"	20—Commencement of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O.; <i>ten</i> graduates.
"	2-5—Centennial Anniversary of St. Mark's Congregation near Gettysburg, Pa., Rev. T. J. Barkley, pastor.	"	21—Closing Exercises of Clarion Collegiate Institute, Rimersburg, Pa., Rev. W. Wilberforce Deatrlick, Principal.
"	8—Commencement of Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O.; <i>five</i> graduates.	"	23—Dedication of new church at Mt. Pleasant, Pa., Rev. C. R. Ferner, pastor.
"	9—Sixty-fourth Anniversary of Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.; <i>seventeen</i> graduates.	"	" Dedication of church at Punxsutawney, Pa., Rev. B. S. Metzgar, pastor.
"	17—Examination of Graduating Class, Theological Department in Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.; <i>nine</i> graduates.	"	27—Commencement of Ursinus College; Collegeville, Pa.; <i>twelve</i> graduates.
"	21—Death of Rev. Reinhart Smith, Swanton, O.	"	28—Commencement of Allentown Female College, Allentown, Pa.; <i>five</i> graduates.
"	31—Destruction by flood of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Pa., Rev. W. H. Bates, pastor.	July	2—First Meeting of Executive Council of Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip, First Church, Philadelphia.
June	3—Death of Rev. Prof. H. W. Kurtz, D. D., Herman, Wis.	"	5—Dedication of Girls' School Building, Sendai, Japan. Miss Lizzie R. and Emma F. Poorbaugh, teachers.
"	6-7—First Convention of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip, Second Reformed Church, Reading, Pa.	"	28—Laying of corner-stone of St. Peter's Church, S. Easton, Pa., Rev. M. H. Mill, pastor.
"	6—Commencement of Wichita University, Wichita, Kan.	"	30—Death of Rev. Amandus F. Ziegler, Leithville, Pa.
"	8—Laying corner-stone of St. John's Church, near Edenburg, Va., Rev. H. Tallhelm, pastor.	Aug.	8-14—Third Annual Conference of Ministers at Lancaster, Pa.
"	" Laying corner stone of St. Matthew's Church, Entriken, Pa., Rev. H. F. Long, pastor.	"	12—Opening of Fall Term of Clarion Collegiate Institute, Rimersburg, Pa., Rev. W. Wilberforce Deatrlick, A. M., Principal.
"	9—Dedication of new chapel of Ninth German Congregation, Cleveland, O.	"	18—Dedication of St. Stephen's Church, Pottstown, Pa., Rev. C. H. Herbst, pastor.
"	11—Commencement of Mercersburg College, Mercersburg, Pa.; <i>ten</i> graduates.	"	" Dedication of Calvary Church, Reading, Pa.
"	" Rev. Thos. G. Apple, D. D., resigned as President of Franklin and Marshall College, Pa.	"	24—Laying corner stone of new church, Irwin, Pa., Rev. F. Pilgram, pastor.
"	" Rev. J. S. Stahr, Ph. D., elected as acting President of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.	"	25—Dedication of church, Manor Station, Pa., Rev. A. E. Truxal, pastor.
"	13—Forty-third Commencement of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.; <i>twenty-five</i> graduates.	"	" Dedication of Church at Whitewater, Kan.
		"	27—Laying corner-stone of new church, Poland, Ind., Rev. W. Grether, pastor.

ORPHAN HOMES OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	LOCATION.	SUPERINTENDENT.	NUMBER OF ORPHANS.
BETHANY	Womelsdorf, Berks County Pa.	REV. T. M. YUNDT	79
ST. PAUL'S	Butler, Butler County, Pa.	REV. P. C. PRUGH, D. D.	200
REFORMED	Fort Wayne, Ind.	REV. J. RETTIG	55
ZOAR	Detroit, Mich.	REV. WM. HANSEN	44

WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

OBJECT.	IN WHAT SYNOD.	TREASURER.	ADDRESS.
Foreign Missions,	General Synod,	Hon. R. F. Kelker,	Harrisburg, Pa.
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" " " " " " " "	{ Pittsburgh, and Potomac.	Geo. Ehrlen,	1937 Ridge Ave., Phila., Pa.
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" " " " " " " "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. C. Baum,	Lima, O.
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" " " " " " " "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, . .	Greenville, Pa.
" " " " " " " "	Pittsburgh Synod,	Rev. Wm. M. Deatriek, . .	Mercersburg, Pa.
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COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.
BEING A TRIENNIAL EXHIBIT FOR THE LAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS.

	1866	1869	1872	1875	1878	1881	1884	1887
Synods,	2	3	4	6	6	6	7	7
Classes,	29	31	35	44	45	48	52	54
Ministers,	485	526	586	631	710	762	783	802
Congregations,	1,144	1,179	1,312	1,342	1,369	1,403	1,465	1,481
Members,	109,925	117,910	130,299	142,872	147,788	161,002	169,530	183,980
Members Unconfirmed,	69,765	68,362	73,288	87,120	90,993	96,147	103,112	108,729
Baptisms, given year,	11,175	12,776	12,487	13,500	13,203	14,309	13,682	15,940
Baptisms, in 3 years,	33,638	36,117	38,605	41,272	40,943	43,750	41,825	46,553
Confirmed, given year,	6,845	7,068	7,462	8,766	8,456	9,113	9,233	10,733
Confirmed, in 3 years,	16,756	20,183	23,247	25,233	26,753	28,240	27,223	30,558
Certificate, given year,	2,421	3,592	3,369	3,733	3,716	4,113	5,043	5,582
Certificate, in 3 years,	6,205	8,779	9,889	10,912	11,184	12,263	14,046	16,472
Communed,	91,547	96,728	109,507	116,000	120,681	132,709	136,897	146,436
Dismissed, given year,	1,244	1,637	1,454	1,725	1,566	2,249	2,122	2,551
Dismissed, in 3 years,	2,975	4,459	4,762	5,000	5,185	5,791	5,819	7,250
Excommunicated or Erased, given year,	196	144	318	387	174	1,626	1,767	2,419
Excommunicated or Erased, in 3 years,	500	528	722	920	1,711	4,436	5,578	6,469
Deaths, given year,	4,207	3,773	4,425	4,494	4,887	4,591	4,787	4,638
Deaths, in 3 years,	13,486	11,186	12,594	12,000	14,102	14,492	15,292	14,207
Sunday-Schools,	939	1,020	1,021	1,220	1,237	1,346	1,378	1,422
Sunday-School Scholars,	34,000	49,000	63,038	75,868	89,982	103,511	114,720	122,695
Students for Ministry,			75	123	157	141	145	186
Beneficial Contributions, given year,	\$60,977	\$74,453	\$86,650	\$79,680	\$61,727	73,400	101,148	\$ 141,122
Beneficial Contributions, in 3 years,	202,718	228,818	247,387	253,766	207,417	194,869	327,899	382,493
Congregational Purposes, given year,				310,000	531,929	630,189	779,572	804,321
Congregational Purposes, in 3 years,				700,000	1,305,905	1,738,213	2,193,018	2,298,228

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Form of Constitution for Congregational Missionary Society.

ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be known as the Missionary Society of _____ Reformed Church at _____, whose object shall be to advance the cause of missions.

ARTICLE II.

The officers shall be a President, a Vice-President a Secretary, and a Treasurer, to serve one year.

ARTICLE III.

These officers, together with the Pastor as Chairman, shall be an Executive Committee, whose duty shall be: to arrange the program for monthly meetings and anniversary services, to examine and approve all readings, recitations, essays and reports, before they are given in public, and to carry out any instructions given by the Society.

ARTICLE IV.

This Executive Committee shall divide the congregation into several districts, and appoint two persons over each district as collectors, whose duty shall be to secure the names of new members, to collect every month the offerings of all the members and of others who may be monthly contributors, to report their work at each regular meeting and pay over their collections to the Treasurer. These collectors shall serve four months.

ARTICLE V.

Each member shall give as God has prospered him, but not less than five cents a month.

ARTICLE VI.

The Society shall meet on the first Wednesday evening of each month, the Pastor conducting or directing the devotional services, and the President presiding the remainder of the time.

ARTICLE VII.

The program for the regular meetings shall include singing, prayer, reading the Scriptures, reading the minutes, recitations, readings, addresses, report of the collectors, the offerings of those who have not otherwise given, unfinished business, new business.

ARTICLE VIII.

The money raised by this society shall be given only to the work of missions.

ARTICLE IX.

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting, notice of such amendment having been given at the previous regular meeting.

MEETING OF THE CLASSES.

CLASSES.	PLACE.	TIME.
SYNOD OF UNITED STATES.		
EAST PENNSYLVANIA	Plainfield Church, Northampton Co., Pa.	May 15th, 1890
" SUSQUEHANNA	Zion's Church, Ashland, Pa.	June 5th, "
GOSHENHOPPEN	Huff's Church, Berks Co., Pa.	May 14th, "
LANCASTER	St. Paul's Church, Lancaster, Pa.	April 24th, "
LEBANON	Womelsdorf, Pa.	May 15th, "
LEHIGH	Ben Salem Church, East Penn Township, Carbon Co., Pa.	" 13th, "
PHILADELPHIA	Spring City, Pa.	" 31st, "
SCHUYLKILL	Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	April 28th, "
TOHICKON	South Easton, Pa.	May 16th, "
WEST SUSQUEHANNA	Bellefonte, Pa.	" 21st, "
WYOMING	Freeland, Pa.	April 30th, "
SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.		
ALLEGHENY	Grace Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.	May 13th, 1890
CLARION	Curtisville, Pa.	June 25th, "
ST. PAUL'S	Meadville, Pa.	" 12th, "
SOMERSET	New Centerville, Pa.	May 21st, "
WESTMORELAND	Manor Station, Pa.	" 14th, "
SYNOD OF THE POTOMAC.		
CARLISLE	Carlisle Springs, Pa.	June 12th, 1890
GETTYSBURG	New Chester, Pa.	May 22d, "
JUNIATA	Claysburg, Pa.	" 14th, "
MARYLAND	Mechanicstown, Md.	" 1st, "
MERCERSBURG	Second Church, Chambersburg, Pa.	" 1st, "
NORTH CAROLINA	Maiden, N. C.	" 28th, "
PORTLAND—OREGON	Salem, Oregon	April 17th, "
SAN FRANCISCO	Stockton, Cal.	June 7th, "
VIRGINIA	Woodstock, Va.	May 14th, "
ZION'S	York, Pa.	" 16th, "
SYNOD OF OHIO.		
EASTERN OHIO	Austintown, O.	April 16th, 1890
LANCASTER	Thornville, O.	May 1st, "
MIAMI	Greenville, O.	April 10th, "
ST. JOSEPH	Goshen, Ind.	" 25th, "
TIFFIN	Ada, O.	May 15th, "
TUSCARAWAS	Marshallville, O.	April 30th, "
SYNOD OF THE NORTH WEST.		
CHICAGO	Washburn, Ill.	June 11th, 1890
INDIANA	Jeffersonville, Ind.	May 7th, "
MILWAUKEE	Sauk City, Wis.	June 15th, "
MINNESOTA	Waukon, Iowa	" 18th, "
MISSOURI	Hebron Church, near Lowry City	Aug. 28th, "
NEBRASKA	Harbine, Neb.	June 12th, "
SHEBOYGAN	Sheboygan, Wis.	May 28th, "
SOUTH DAKOTA	Yankton, Dakota	June 12th, "
URSINUS	Monticello, Iowa	" 19th, "
ZION'S	Edgerton, O.	" 11th, "
CENTRAL SYNOD.		
CINCINNATI	Cincinnati, O.	May 2d, 1890
ERIE	Cleveland, O.	" 29th, "
HEIDELBERG	Prospect, O.	" 15th, "
ST. JOHN'S	Alliance, O.	" 6th, "
GERMAN SYNOD OF THE EAST.		
NEW YORK	Milltown, N. J.	June 24th, 1890
GERMAN MARYLAND	Emmanuel's Church, Baltimore, Md.	April 29th, "
" PHILADELPHIA	Lancaster, Pa.	June 3d, "
WEST NEW YORK	Titusville, Pa.	" 13th, "
" PENNSYLVANIA	New Lancaster, Pa.	May 22d, "
SYNOD OF THE INTERIOR.		
IOWA	Liscomb, Ia.	Oct. 1st, 1889
KANSAS	Abilene, Kansas	May 1st, 1890
N. ILLINOIS	St. John's Church, Anna Charge, Ills.	" 21st, "
WICHITA	Whitewater, Kansas	April 24th, "

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

SYNODS.	Classes.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Members.	Unconfirmed Members.	Baptisms.		Confirmed.	Certificate.	Communed.	Dismissed.	Excom.	Erasures of N.	Deaths.	Sunday Schools.	Sunday School Scholars.	Students for the Ministry.	Contributions.	
						Infants.	Adults.											Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
Eastern Synod, . . .	11	226	465	80,651	47,453	5,791	461	4,061	1,796	66,919	1,010	9	801	2,636	553	55,975	98	\$69,178 43	\$379,933 00
Synod of Ohio, . . .	6	106	233	19,460	6,284	856	511	1,226	795	15,674	331	1	441	345	205	18,491	21	14,657 08	73,883 00
Synod of N. West, . .	10	114	190	16,747	12,539	1,528	23	837	669	11,130	164	14	215	389	165	8,830	22	11,641 00	71,693 00
Synod of Pittsburgh, .	5	57	128	13,334	9,010	883	99	754	488	11,047	252	0	256	212	105	8,109	17	19,197 06	80,795 35
Synod of Potomac, . .	10	144	297	31,081	19,400	1,919	252	1,547	773	25,570	502	5	185	786	269	22,966	47	36,727 53	123,768 47
Ger. Sy'd of the East	5	47	44	12,756	8,023	2,132	17	750	653	9,613	93	0	378	428	45	9,002	7	5,523 00	71,646 00
Central Synod, . . .	4	80	116	16,842	10,861	1,216	53	908	607	13,032	227	17	430	409	106	10,232	34	12,580 00	82,231 00
Sy'd of the Interior, .	4	39	62	2,653	1,619	135	58	199	167	2,123	64	0	57	36	50	2,670	4	1,766 99	16,455 71
Total, 8 Dist Synods, .	55	813	1535	194,044	115,189	14,460	1,474	10,282	5,948	155,108	2,673	46	2,763	5,241	1,450	136,288	270	\$171,251 01	\$900,415 54

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COMPARATIVE STATISTICS OF THE REFORMED CHURCHES.

	NAMES OF CHURCHES AND COUNTRIES.	Synods.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Communicants.	Adherents.
*1	Reformed Church in the Province of Austria,	1	4	4	6,388	8,144
*2	Reformed Church in the Province of Bohemia,	1	56	53	4,843	6,250
*3	Reformed Church in the Province of Moravia,	1	25	34	2,200	3,900
*4	Reformed Church of the Helvetic Confession of Hungary,	5	1,909	3,261	200,000	30,000
5	Union of Evangelical Churches, Belgium,				3,923	8,000
6	Missionary Christian Reformed Church, Belgium,	1	19	88	4,396	5,100
7	Walloon Churches, Belgium and Netherlands,		24			10,000
8	Reformed Church of France,	21	814		86,000	101,000†
9	Free Reformed Church of France,	4	44	59	3,272	4,300
10	Old Reformed Church of Bertheim, Germany,	1	7	9	2,400	4,000
11	Free (Dutch) Church, Elberfeld,		5	3	440	1,000†
12	Reformed Church East of the Rhine, Germany,	1	7	9	2,593	3,000†
13	Reformed Churches (Separatists), Germany,				30,000†	20,000†
14	Reformed Churches (in the Union), Germany,				800,000†	1,000,000†
15	Reformed Church in the Netherlands, including Dutch Colonies,	10	1,611	1,349	200,000	350,000†
16	Christian Reformed Churches in the Netherlands,	10	321	415	70,000	100,000†
17	Reformed (Cantonal) Churches of Switzerland,				1,200,000†	1,500,000†
18	Free Church of Geneva,	1	3	4	478	600
19	Free Reformed Evangelical Church of Neuchâtel,		78	27	8,128	10,000†
20	National Evangelical Reformed Church of the Canton of Vaud,	1	78		8,128	10,000†
21	Free Evangelical Reformed Church of the Canton de Vaud,	1	127	59	4,000	6,250†
22	Waldensian Evangelical Church,		77	44	17,335	25,000
23	Free Christian Church of Italy,	1	13	42	1,430	2,000
24	Spanish Christian Church,		16	21	840	1,500
25	Reformed Church in Russia,	1			7,000	10,000†
26	United Hanoverian Reformed Church,				14,608	20,000†
27	Reformed Church in Algiers,				150,000†	150,000†
28	Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa,	2	153	140	30,600	50,000†
29	Dutch Reformed Church in Orange Free State,	1	25	27	8,000	15,000†
30	Christian Reformed Church in South Africa,	1	16	34	6,095	9,000†
31	Dutch Reformed Church in Natal and Transvaal,	2	17	25	6,445	9,000†
32	Reformed Church in America (<i>Dutch</i>),	4	566	547	85,543	200,000
33	Free Reformed Dutch Church,	1	10	13	317	500
34	Christian Reformed Church in America,	1	44	70	8,157	15,000
35	Dutch Reformed Church, Surinam,		6	6	1,120	1,500†
36	REFORMED CHURCH IN U. S. (<i>German</i>),	8	822	1,512	190,527	500,000†
37	Reformed Church (German), Japan,†	1	11	8	1,202	...

* These four organizations compose the General Synod of the Reformed Church in Austria. † Estimated. ‡ In United Church of Japan.

OUR WORK IN JAPAN—STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1889.

	Organized Churches.	Churches self-Supporting.	Preaching Stations.	Baptized Converts.	Membership.	Girl's School.	Scholars in same.	Sunday-Schools.	Scholars in same.	Theological Schools.	Scholars in Same.	Native Ministers.	Unordained Ministers.	Colporteurs.	Bible Women.	Contributions for all purposes.
TOKIO DISTRICT.																
Nihon Bashi,	1	..	..	17	67	..	..	1	26	..	..	1	..	1	..	\$ 63 85
Oji,	..	..	..	4	33	..	..	1	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	24 00
Iwatsuki,	1	..	..	3	89	..	..	1	30	..	..	..	1	..	..	370 08
Matsubayashi & Noda,	..	..	..	..	35	..	..	1	38	..	..	..	..	..	..	8 30
Bancho,	1	1	..	65	189	..	..	1	85	..	..	1	..	..	..	196 30
SENDAI DISTRICT.																
Sendai,	3	1	..	94	413	..	..	5	199	..	..	2	1	1	..	\$ 662 53
Fukushima,	}	1	6	136	625	1	47	9	391	1	15	2	6	2	2	1125 75
Nakamura,																
Hobara,																
Shiroishi,																
Tome,																
Yamagata,	}	1	..	5	99	..	..	1	70	..	..	supplied	..	..	..	181 00
Tsurugaoka,																
Iwanuma,																
Ishinomaki,																
Furukawa,																
Hakodate,	1	1	1	28	75	..	..	1	73	..	..	1	..	..	..	30 00
Mombetsu,	1	1	1	20	121	..	..	1	45	..	..	1	1	..	..	182 98
Mororau,	1	1	1	20	121	..	..	1	45	..	..	1	1	..	..	1047 70
Grand Total,	9	3	10	199	1025	1	47	14	624	1	15	3	10	2	2	\$2557 28
	12	4	10	293	1438	1	47	19	823	1	15	5	11	3	2	\$3219 81

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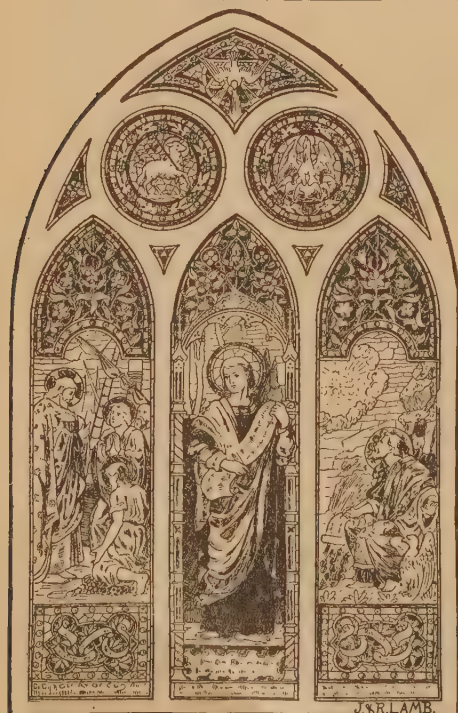
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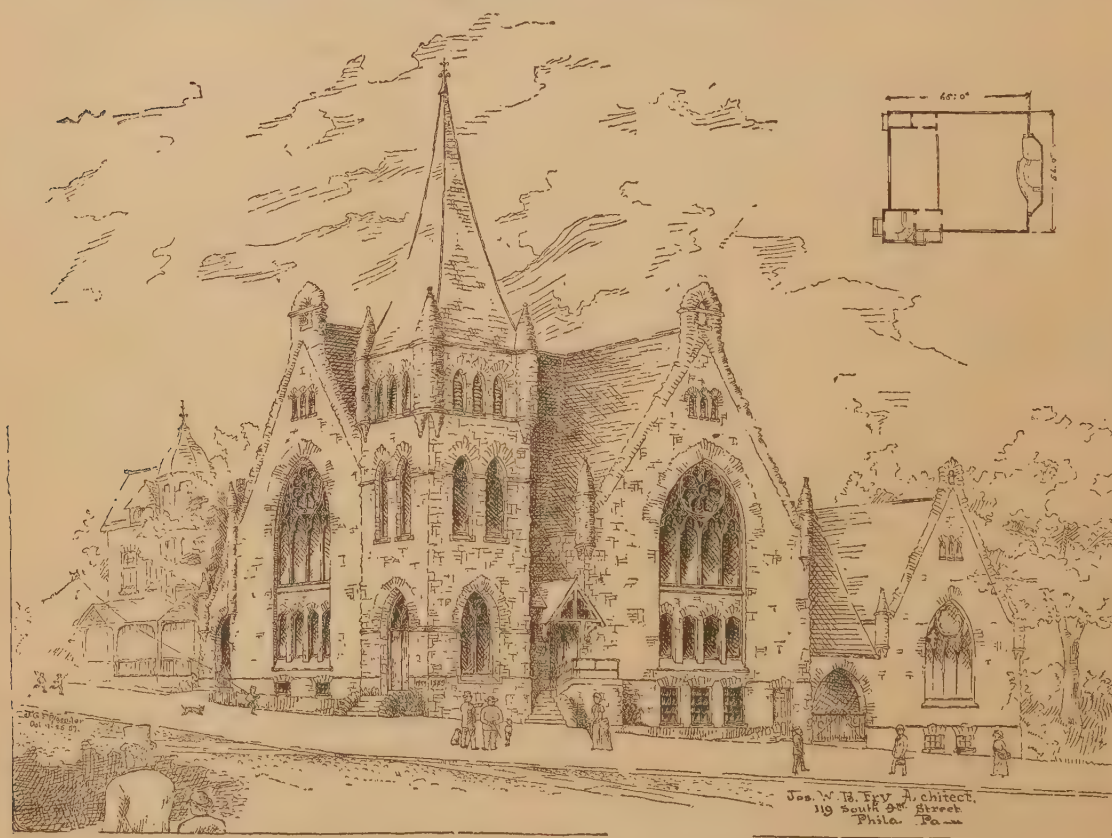
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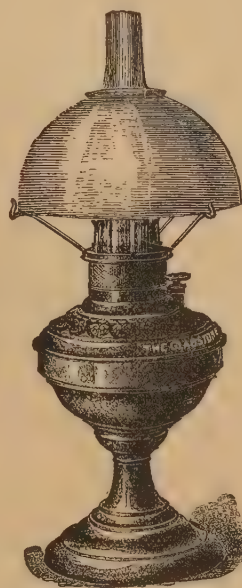
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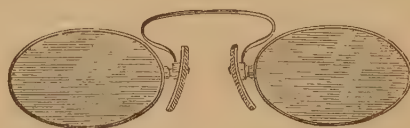


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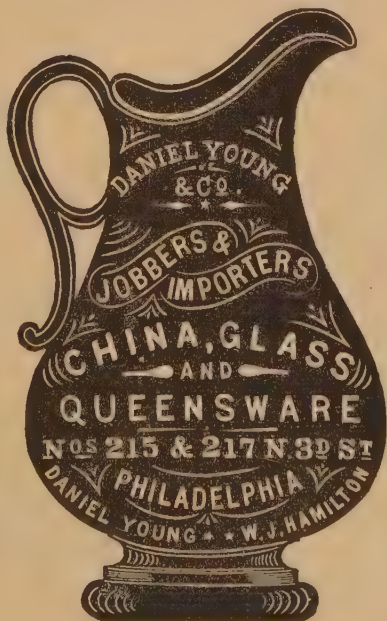
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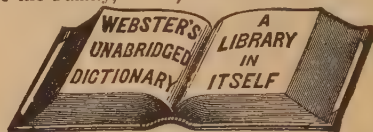
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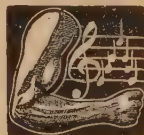
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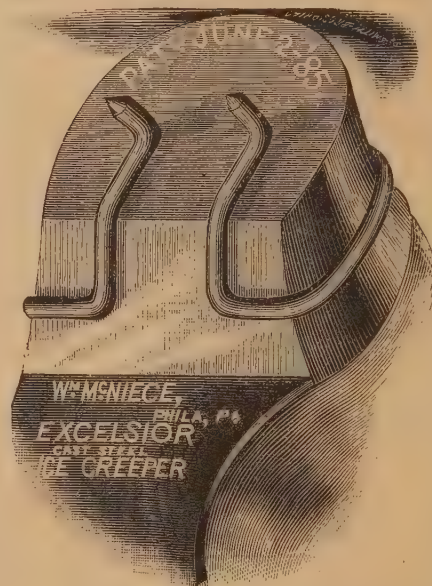
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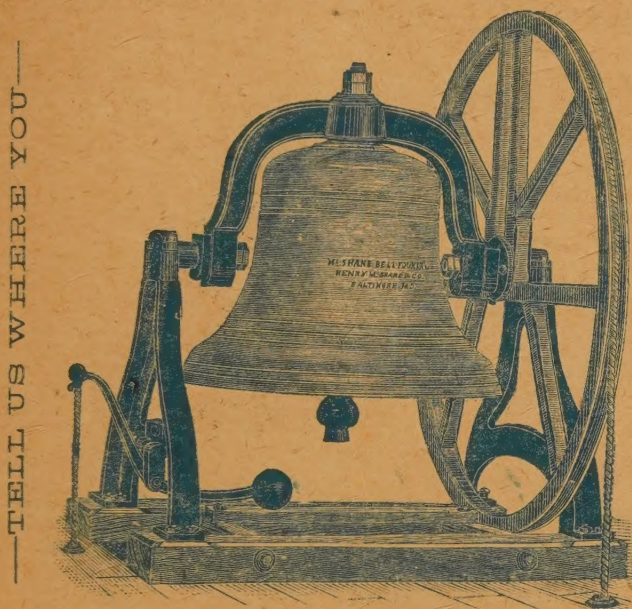
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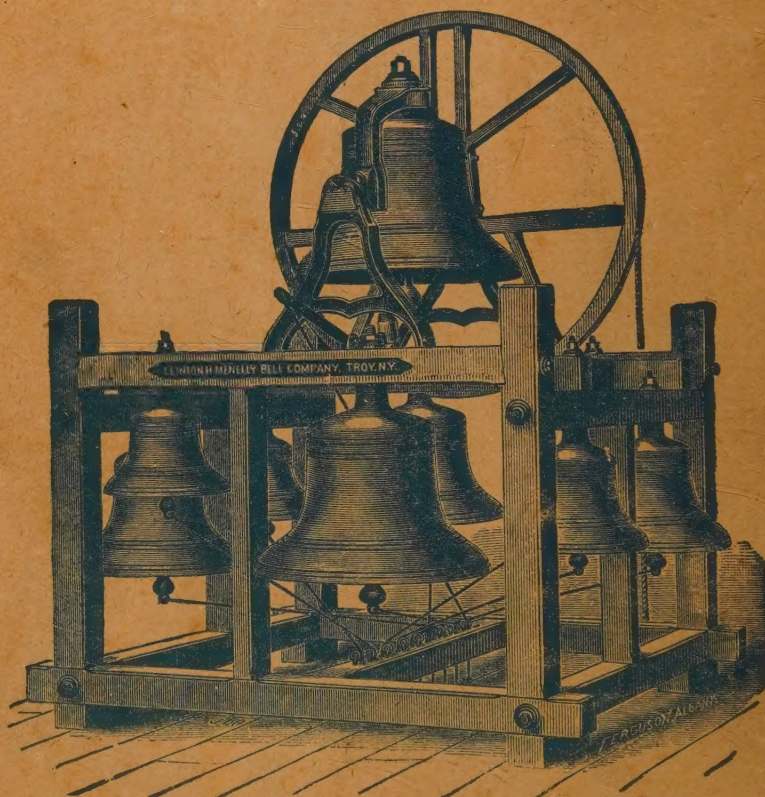
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